

ANGELOLOGY

The Biblical Doctrine of Angels

**The holy angels
Satan and his angels (fallen angels)
Sorcery
Occult and magic practices**



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Introduction

Angels play an important part in God's plan. They are mentioned 270 times in Holy Scripture. Yet there is an incredible lack of knowledge among many Christians about the biblical doctrine of angels. So-called "experiences" and (supposed) visions or false teachings have to a large extent replaced biblical knowledge.

On the one hand there are those who **deny all transcendent realities (e.g. life in the hereafter, the existence of angels)**:

10 **Act 23:8** *The Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, and that there are neither angels nor spirits...*

People brought up in a rationalistic culture run a greater risk of not believing in angels.

15 On the other hand, there are people who emphasise the subject of angels almost too much. This danger especially applies to people who tend towards spiritualism. The apostle Paul rejected and opposed the veneration of angels (cf. Col 2:18-20). In the middle ages, especially during scholasticism, there were amazing and even strange excesses in the realm of Angelology.¹

20 Angelology is concerned not only with the good (holy) angels, but also with the evil ones; that is Satan's angels or the fallen angels. Because of this, the doctrine of angels is even more important. It is also important to know why there is so much lack of knowledge and confusion in this area. Satan of course wants to fog up the truth about himself.

25 **Joh 8:44** *You belong to your father, the devil . . . He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*

30 Since early heathen times when the devil and his angels were venerated, up until our modern days of sorcery, Satan has tried to conceal the teaching concerning angels (and therefore the teaching about himself). **Spiritualism**² is Satan's teaching about the realm of angels or spirits. Only through a deeper knowledge of Holy Scripture and through faith can we resist the growing demonism and occultism of our days.

35 A Bible study on angels will help us:

- to better discern the revelation of the greatness of God and worship him.
 - to more fully discern God's possibilities, his reaching into our lives, how he does this and how he achieves his plan for us.
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¹ The question was asked for instance of how many angels could stand on the head of a needle. That is of course pure speculation. On the other hand the Bible says that numbers of (fallen) angels or demons can "dwell" in a person (cf. Luk 8:30). It was speculated for example as to whether an angel can be in more than one place at one and the same time. What was the time span between the creation of the angels and the fall of some of them? Do angels protect children in their mothers' wombs or only after they are born, or even only after their baptism?

² We prefer the term Spiritualism to Spiritism.

- to obey God more consistently in our daily lives (as we see the obedience of these exalted created beings).
- better discern our status, because for the fallen angels there is no redemption (Heb 2:16) and we will in fact judge over them (1Co 6:3); and the angels are sent to serve believers (Heb 1:14).

I. Origin of the angels

A. Definition

The word “**angel**” comes from the Greek ἄγγελος (**angelos**) or from the Latin “**angelus**” (both of which are masculine).

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Angel means: *envoy, messenger, representative*. The word *angel* is found in both the Old (in Hebrew: מַלְאָךְ [mal’āk]) and New Testament:

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- For human messengers (cf. e.g. Gen 32:3-4; Jam 2:25 [the messengers or Israeli spies who went to Rahab]).
- For messengers of God, i.e. for the prophets (cf. Hag 1:13; Mal 2:7 and Mat 11:10).
- For heavenly messengers, i.e. angels, (cf. e.g. Gen 19:1; Luk 22:43).

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We should take note of the fact that angels in Holy Scripture are also called “*spirits*” (in Greek: πνεύματα [pneúmata]). This refers to both holy angels (Heb 1:14) and fallen angels (Eph 6:12).

“*God is spirit*” (Joh 4:24), therefore it is not surprising that the angels are also called “*sons of God*” (cf. e.g. Job 1:6 und 38:7).

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B. The creation of the angels

Angels have not existed from eternity, because Holy Scripture speaks about their creation:

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Neh 9:6 *You alone are the Lord. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is in it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.*

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Psa 148:2-5 *Praise him all you angels . . . for he commanded, and they were created.*

Compare the creation of the angels with that of man (see the first chapter in my brochure “*Biblical Anthropology*”).

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Col 1:16 *For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth...*

Concerning the time when God created the angels, we read in

Gen 1:1 *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*

and in

5 **Job 38:4-7** *Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation . . . and all the angels shouted for joy?*

10 When God created man, the angels obviously already existed. I assume therefore that the angels were created somewhere **between Gen 1:1 und Gen 1:26!** Not least because of the passage in **Job 38:4-7** I think that it was on the first day (Gen 1:1), together with the heavens and earth (which was at this point of time formless and empty), because this passage in the book of Job leads us to the conclusion that the angels already existed when God created the things that are mentioned after Gen 1:5 (i.e. following the first day of creation).

C. The number of the angels

15 Holy Scripture speaks of *myriads* (cf. Dan 7:10 und Rev 5:11):

Heb 12:22 *...thousands upon thousands of angels*

 This gives us a better understanding of certain passages of Scripture:

20 **2Ki 6:16-17** *Don't be afraid. Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.*

25 Compare the important verse in Jos 5:14 with this (the pre-existent Christ is prince over the armies of the Lord).

Mat 26:53 *Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels?*

30 “Yahweh Zebaoth” can be translated by “Lord of hosts”. It is true that “hosts” can refer to different things (Exo 12:41 = Israel as a people; cf. Jud 5:20), but probably referred originally to myriads of angels.

Job 25:3 *Can his forces be numbered? Upon whom does his light not rise?*

D. The “dwelling place” of the angels

35 Angels are heavenly beings. Their dwelling place is heaven, that is, so to speak, God's world.

Luk 2:13 *Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying...*

40 **Mat 28:2** *...an angel of the Lord came down from heaven...*

Gal 1:8 *But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned.*

Many of the angels departed from heaven, after their rebellion against God (more about this in the chapter on “The fall of the angels”).

- 5 **Mat 25:41** *Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the fire prepared for the devil and his angels.*

II. The nature of the angels

A. Angels constitute a “heavenly host” and not a race or species

Angels are beings specially created by God and cannot be compared with us as human beings. We have an earthly body of flesh, blood and bones. Angels are also **beings possessing personality**, but unlike us they are *heavenly spirits*. That they have a personality can be discerned from the following abilities:

- intelligence (1Pe 1:12)
- feeling(s) (Luk 2:13)
- will (Jud 6)

Unlike man, angels are not bound to place and time. They also cannot die (Luk 20:36). In the coming age we (who believe) will no longer marry but we will be “like the angles” (Luk 20:35).

Hereditary sin is not found in angels. In other words, the angels did not experience a fall into sin (into which the whole species was drawn) as was the case for mankind (see Rom 5:12). In contrast to man, there is no redemption for angels. Christ could share mankind’s humanity (cf. Heb 2:14-16). There is, however, no race or species of angels out of which he could have come and which he could have joined. Angels are individual beings, created by God³ and they form a group or host (unlike mankind), but not a race.

B. Angels are spirits (Heb 1:14)

We have already pointed out their relationship with God, who is spirit. Angels are non-material (i.e. spiritual) beings. They can however take on bodily form (cf. Gen 18:2) and can also eat and drink (Gen 18:8), just as Jesus did after his resurrection (cf. Luk 24:41-43; Act 10:41).

When an angel takes on bodily form, it can be an entirely earthly and natural one, cf. Gen 18–19. One of the three men who appeared to Abraham was Yahweh himself (cf. Gen 18:1,22; 19:24), that is the pre-existent Christ before his becoming man; the two others who went to Lot in Sodom were angels (cf. Gen 19:1; see also Heb 13:2).

³ In Joh 1:3; Col 1:15-17 and Heb 1:2-3 it says that everything that exists (i.e. the whole universe) was created through Jesus Christ, the Son of God!

Heb 13:2 *Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it.*

Angels can also appear in a shining glorious body (cf. Mat 28:2-3; Luk 24:4).⁴

An angelic appearance can be visible for one person and for another invisible (cf. Num 22:22-31; 2Ki 6:16-17).

Jesus says that those who have been born again will be “*like the angels*” (Mat 22:30). That does not mean that they will be angels, but that they will have a spiritual body.

C. Attributes of the angels

Here we are talking of the good or holy angels.

1. Angels are holy

Act 10:22 *...Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, respected by the whole Jewish nation was directed by a holy angel to summon you to his house and to hear what you have to say...*

Only holy beings can serve a holy God. Holy beings continually speak of the glory of God:

Isa 6:3 (RSV) *Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.*

2. Angels are more powerful than men

Only God is almighty, the angels are not. We read the following concerning the angels:

Psa 103:20 *Praise the Lord, you his angels, you mighty ones...*

2Pe 2:11 *...yet even angels, although they are stronger and more powerful, do not bring slanderous accusations against such beings in the presence of the Lord...*

Some illustrations of this are: Act 5:19; 12:7.23; Mat 28:2-3; Rev 20:1-2. At this point we should not forget Satan's power (cf. Eph 2:2; 6:12). But, Satan is not almighty; only the triune God is almighty.

3. Angels know (at least in part) more than men do

2Sa 14:20 *...My lord has wisdom like that of an angel of God – he knows everything that happens in the land.*

⁴ Dan 10:4-9 and Rev 10:1 probably refer to the *Angel of the Lord*; that is Jesus Christ; in Dan 10 before and in Rev 10 after his incarnation.

The law was passed on (to Moses) through angels (cf. Act 7:53; Gal 3:19 and Heb 2:2). Some of the angels at least are full of eyes (Rev 4:8), that surely means that they are very intelligent beings or that they possess much knowledge. Even so they must learn the wisdom of God:

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Eph 3:10 *His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places...*

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1Pe 1:12 *It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even the angels long to investigate these things.*

4. Angels are humble

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Although the angels possess more power and knowledge than men, they refuse to receive worship from men (cf. Rev 19:10; 22:8-9). Only Satan, the fallen angel, seeks honour and worship from men (cf. Mat 4:9). A good example of humility is found in the archangel Michael in

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Jud 9 *But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"*

5. Angels are obedient

They are constantly ready to receive orders from God:

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Psa 91:11 *For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.*

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Psa 103:20-21 *Praise the Lord you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. Praise the Lord all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.*

Dan 7:10 *Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.*

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6. Angels can have wings

This is an unimportant question, but it is asked time and time again especially because of art (in many pictures angels are depicted with wings). In many places in the Bible, angels are described as having wings. However, it does not say anything about bird's wings with feathers.

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Isa 6:2 *Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.*

5 **Dan 9:21** *...while I was still in prayer, Gabriel, the man I had seen in the earlier vision, came to me in swift flight...*

Rev 14:6 *Then I saw another angel flying in mid-air...*

10 In the *Most Holy Place*, in the tabernacle, and in the temple, there were golden cherubim with their wings spread out over the ark of the testimony (cf. Exo 25:18-20).

III. Hierarchy among angels

Jesus Christ is also the creator of angels (see Col 1:16). Angels are therefore his creation and serve him. Jesus' self humiliation by becoming man (incarnation) went so far that he was "made a little lower than the angels" (cf. Heb 2:7). It is in fact the letter to the Hebrews which shows us the following in the first two chapters:

Heb 1:4 *So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.*

10 **"Let all God's angels worship him!"** (Heb 1:6)

The relationship of angels to men is also shown in Heb 2:7. For believers (people who have been born again), partakers of the heavenly nature (cf. 2Pe 1:4), God has made the angels "ministering spirits" (cf. Heb 1:14). Following our resurrection, we will one day even judge angels (cf. 1Co 6:3). Holy Scripture also speaks of the angels watching us (cf. Job 1:8; Luk 15:10; 1Co 4:9; 1Ti 5:21).

And how do the angels relate to each other? Holy Scripture speaks of various groups (hierarchies):

20 **Col 1:16** *For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.*

25 The Bible gives the following descriptions of particular groups or individual beings:

A. The Angel of the Lord

In the Old Testament, we often find the *Angel of the Lord* in encounters with people. This is the Lord Jesus Christ himself before he became man. Haggai 1:13 seems to be the only exception to this; the expression or the description "*angel of the Lord*", is used for the prophet Haggai himself. This can be explained by the fact that the Hebrew word *mal'āk* (מַלְאָךְ) simply means "sent one" (or messenger); this also applies to the Greek word *ἀπόστολος* (*apóstolos*, cf. the verb *ἀποστέλλω* [*apostéllō*] = to send). Here are some passages which speak of the "*Angel of the Lord*" appearing to people:

35 **Gen 16:7.13** **Hagar** in the desert

Exo 3:2.4 **Moses** at the burning bush

Jud 6:11-16 **Gideon** when he was called

40 In such passages we see:

- that the *Angel of the Lord* identifies himself with the Lord or
- that he is identified by others as *the Angel of the Lord* or that others equate him with the Lord.
- that he accepts the worship that belongs to the Lord alone.

In the following passages (to mention just a few), it is a case of Christophanies:

- Jos 5:13-15 commander of the Lord's army.
- Gen 18–19 Yahweh with the two angels: Yahweh see Gen 18:22; regarding the two angels see Gen 19:1.

In the New Testament we find several indications of the pre-existence of Jesus Christ, that means that he existed before his incarnation, namely from eternity: cf. Joh 1:1.15; 8:58; 17:5.24; 2Co 8:9; Phi 2:5-11; Heb 7:1ff.

B. Cherubim

These are beings with wings, which are mainly mentioned in connection with the throne of God. They are not simply messengers, but constantly surround God's throne. In modern translations they are occasionally called "animals" or "living creatures".

The most well-known passages are:

Exo 25:20 in the tabernacle (golden imitations)

1Ki 6:23ff in the temple in Jerusalem (wooden imitations)

Eze 1:5-14; 10:1ff beneath the throne of God

Compare also 1Ch 28:18.

Rev 4:6-9 the throne of God

Cherubim are mentioned 90 times in the Old Testament. The meaning of the word "*cherubim*" (כְּרֻבִים or written as *plene* כְּרוּבִים) does not seem to be known.

According to Psa 18:10, *cherubim* are those who bear the throne (or throne carriage) of God (cf. Eze 1; 10; Rev 4). They are the guardians of God's throne (cf. also Gen 3:24). They are equipped with many eyes to fulfil this responsibility and can at the same time move in all directions (cf. Eze 1:17 and 10:11). In Rev 6 we find the cherubim, i.e. the four living creatures, in the presence of Jesus, when he ushers in the judgement (the plagues) upon the world through the opening of the seals. In Rev 15:7 one of the four living creatures gives the seven angels the seven bowls. In Rev 4:8 they are depicted with six wings, just like the seraphs in Isa 6:1ff.

C. Seraphs (seraphim)

Seraphs are only mentioned in Isa 6:2.6. “*Seraphs*” means “*the burning ones*” (from the Hebrew שֶׁרָפָה [*śāraph*] = *to burn*). They have a burning reverence for their Lord and God and hold a preferential position. The cherubim surround the throne of God and are below it, while the seraphs are over the throne of God (cf. Isa 6:2). They cover themselves with their four wings in reverential fear. Seraphs teach us in spite of their proximity to God to respect a “holy distance” to the three times holy Lord and God.

Isa 6:3 *Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty*

Seraphs have, as mentioned before, six wings. The two wings which are for their ministry are mentioned last. There are commentators who take this as an indication that God is first of all interested in our worship; our ministry takes second place (cf. Mat 4:10). The seraphs’ ministry is to keep sin away from God’s throne. Isaiah was cleansed by them (Isa 6:6-7).

D. The archangel

Holy Scripture, that is the books of the biblical canon (Old and New Testament), only mention one archangel, namely **Michael** (see Jud 9; Rev 12:7). The Catholic Church also speaks of Raphael und Uriel; Jewish tradition even mentions seven archangels: Gabriel, Michael, Raguel, Renuel, Saruel und Uriel. The name *Michael* means “*who is like God?*” Michael even glorifies God through his name. Michael holds a special position within the world of the angels:

Dan 10:13 *Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me...*

Dan 12:1 *At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise.*

Rev 12:7 *...Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back.*

Dan 12:1 says that Michael is the angelic prince who is responsible for Israel. In a battle which is not visible to the human eye, he intervenes in favour of Israel against the prince of the Persian kingdom (Dan 10:13). In Rev 12:7-9 he and his angels fight against Satan and his angels. Michael’s victory against Satan and his hordes underlines the power and greatness of this archangel.

E. Gabriel

Gabriel can be translated by “*the strength of God*”, “*God’s hero*” or by “*God is mighty*”. The Hebrew word גַּבְרִיֵּל (“*geber*”) means especially “*masculine man*” or “*strong man*”. Gabriel is the angel who brings God’s messages to men. He is what we would call “*God’s messenger*”.

Dan 8:16 Gabriel appeared to Daniel

Dan 9:21 Gabriel appeared to Daniel

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Luk 1:19 Gabriel appeared to Zachariah

Luk 1:26 Gabriel appeared to Mary

10 What exalted servants are at God's disposal to announce to somebody an answer to prayer or to convey a promise! Gabriel passes on a wonderful testimony regarding himself:

Luk 1:19 *I am Gabriel, I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news.*

15 F. Other angels

The Bible uses different expressions to distinguish between the various categories of angels. In Eph 3:10, for example, it speaks of “*rulers*” and “*authorities*” in the heavenly places. Compare this with Rom 8:38; Eph 1:21; 6:12 and Col 1:16. Michael and Satan have “their” angels (cf. Rev 12:3-4,7-9).

IV. The ministry of angels (good angels)

A. Their ministry for God the Father

For the ministry of the archangel Michael and of Gabriel, the messenger of God, seraphs and cherubim see the above chapter III. *Hierarchy among angels*, B to F.

5 B. The ministry of the angels to Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is – as already mentioned – the creator of the angels (Col 1:16). In becoming man, he was for a short time “made a little lower than the angels” (cf. Heb 2:7). The creator took it upon himself, for our sakes, to become for a certain time lower than the angels that he had created. Even so, the angels served him during the time that he was here on earth. And
10 they serve him today too in heaven (cf. Heb 1:6 und 1Pe 3:22).

Examples in the Bible of where angels serve Jesus Christ

- 15 1. Before Christ came to this earth, the angels carried out his commands and since he has returned to heaven, they worship him before the throne of God as the Lamb of God (the Lamb who was slain for our sakes! cf. Rev 5:11-14).
2. Gabriel announced the birth of Jesus to Mary (Luk 1:28-31).
3. After Satan had tempted Jesus (three times) during the 40 days in the wilderness and Jesus had won the victory over him by quoting the Word of God, angels came and
20 attended him (Mat 4:11).
4. Jesus prayed the Father in the garden of Gethsemane. Then an angel appeared to him from heaven and ministered to him (Luk 22:43). Afterwards, Jesus agonised in prayer.
5. When Jesus was hanging on the cross, he could have called myriads of angels to help him come down from the cross. He did not do this, because he knew that only his
25 (substitutionary) death on the cross could save mankind (cf. Psa 91:11-12; Mat 26:53).
6. At the resurrection of Jesus, an angel came and rolled the stone away from the entrance to the grave (Mat 28:2-4).
7. As Mary Magdalene entered the grave, two angels were sitting there who proclaimed the resurrection of the Lord to her (Luk 24:4-7 and Joh 20:12-17).
- 30 8. As Jesus ascended into heaven, suddenly two angels stood by the disciples and proclaimed that he would return in the same way (Act 1:11).
9. In Mat 13:41-42 it says that Jesus (on the day of judgement) will send out his angels to throw unbelievers into everlasting fire (Mat 25:31).

C. The ministry of the angels to men

Hebrews 1:14 says: *“Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?”*

5 God uses the angels to accomplish his plan for the world, for mankind and the peoples. Through the intervention of angels, he often changes a political or social situation or intervenes in the lives of individual people. Angels have a close relationship to all that happens on earth. They are present among us (or at least some of them). Angels rejoice with us over every victory in evangelism. This is confirmed by the following words of Jesus: *“In*
10 *the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”* (Luk 15:10)

- Angels execute judgement (Mat 13:41-42).
- Angels warned (for example) Lot in Sodom (Gen 19).
- 15 • Angels passed on the law to man (i.e. Moses, cf. Act 7:53; Gal 3:19).

Some examples which show how angels minister to men

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| 1. | Dan 5 | An angel wrote on the wall (<i>“m^enē’, m^enē’, t^eqēl, upharsīn”</i>). |
| 20 | 2. 2Ki 6:14-17 | Angels protect men of God from their enemies (Elisha). |
| | 3. Act 27:23-25 | An angel appeared to the apostle Paul when he was travelling by ship to Rome. |
| | 4. Gen 16:7 | The Angel of the Lord appeared to Hagar in the wilderness. |
| | 5. Act 12:5-11 | An angel freed Peter from prison in Jerusalem. |
| 25 | 6. 2Ki 19:35 | The Angel of the Lord killed 185’000 men of the Assyrian army , during the siege of Jerusalem (Isa 37:36). |
| | 7. Act 8:26 | An angel appeared to the evangelist Philip and sent him on the way to Gaza. |
| 30 | 8. Rev 1:1-3 | An angel appeared to the apostle John on the island of Patmos. |

In Mat 18:10 it says in relation to children: *“For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.”* This is often interpreted as meaning that every child has a (or several) guardian angel(s).

35 We learn from 1Co 4:9 that angels watch us at all times. In Psa 34:8(7) it says: *“The Angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.”*

We should take note of the fact that there is a difference between the Old and New Testaments. God has passed on to us the final revelation through his Son who became man.
40 Therefore, in this dispensation of grace, Christ does not have to reveal himself to us as the Angel of the Lord. Consequently, the angels of the New Testament – and today – are *“created spirits”* and not God as the *Angel of the Lord*, as was often the case in the Old Testament. Since the incarnation of Christ, God’s appearance in the form of man, as happened in the times of the Old Testament (Theophany or Christophany) is no longer necessary.

V. Satan and his angels

A. Introduction

In talking about Satan, we handle a particularly “hot” (controversial) subject. Satan does all he can to veil the truth about himself. He has succeeded in preventing many from recognising the reality so that:

- **They see in him merely a principle or a power.** This means that many people do not believe that Satan is a person. Many people speak rather of “good” and “evil”. All too often they do not believe in a personal God and even less in Satan as a person.
- **He is only spoken of as some grotesque figure of the Middle-Ages.** In the Middle Ages Satan was often portrayed with horns and horse hooves. The result of these ridiculous caricatures is that many people today do not take the devil and his power seriously. He is thought to be simply a sort of mythological fairytale figure. Satan is of course happy when people underestimate his real purposes or do not even believe he exists.

Satan tries to divert Christians through their lack of knowledge or on the other hand to get honour from them in that they talk too much about him (instead of talking about Jesus Christ).

I believe in Jesus Christ; I also believe that Satan exists as a person, because he who denies the existence of Satan finally also denies the purpose for which Jesus came into this world:

1Jo 3:8 *The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devils work.*

The Bible speaks of Satan just as much as it speaks of the angels. For this reason, too, it would be inconsistent to see in him and his angels simply mythological figures. Because the devil has great power, we must consciously “take up” the shield of faith with which we can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one (cf. Eph 6:10-16). We must praise the Lord for his victory over the devil and at the same time pursue the question of over whom Jesus Christ won the victory. Holy Scripture shows us that Satan is a conquered foe:

Satan (Hebrew שָׂטָן [*Šāṭān*]; Greek Σατανᾶς [*Satanas*] — used 56 times for the devil) meaning:

Opponent, enemy, adversary (cf. 1Ki 5:4 [some translations verse 18]; 11:14,23, in these passages the word *Satan* is used for a human enemy); but also **antagonist, accuser before the court of law** (cf. Zec 3:1).

Devil (Greek Διάβολος [*Diábolos*] — it is only found in the singular and that 35 times) meaning:

Slanderer, one who divides, one who causes confusion.

When we read in some translations (e.g. Luther) of “devils” (plural), then it means the angels who fell with the devil. The following terms are used for them in the New Testament:

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evil spirits	Greek: πνεύματα πονηρά (<i>pneúmata ponērá</i> ; cf. Luk 8:2; Act 19:12)
unclean spirits	Greek: πνεύματα ἀκάθαρτα (<i>pneúmata akátharta</i> ; cf. Mat 10:1; Mar 5:2)
demons	Greek: δαιμόνια (<i>daimónia</i> ; cf. Mat 7:22; 1Co 10:20)

B. The origin of Satan10 **1. The creation of Satan**

There are many suggestions concerning the origin of evil.⁵ The Bible does not give us much information about the origin of Satan. However, quite a lot is of course clear (contrary to what the Koran teaches)

15 **God cannot be the creator of evil!**

To be sure, God is the creator of Satan, but he did not make him as a rival, but as an exalted and holy spiritual being. This spiritual being only became Satan through his rebellion – just as man was good at the beginning and then unfortunately became a sinner because of lack of obedience. Some of the angels fell through sin (cf. 2Pe 2:4; Jud 6), because they followed the devil in his rebellion against God (probably Rev 12:3-4 refers to the fall of Satan and his angels). God, who is light (1Jo 1:5), could not have created darkness, because in him there is no darkness. By this, of course, I mean *darkness* in the sense of evil and not in the sense of absence of light, then this sort of darkness was surely created by God (cf. Isa 45:7). We must not forget what sin cost God! He became man in Jesus Christ in order to blot out sin and vanquish the devil (cf. Rom 8:32; 2Co 5:19; 1Jo 3:8).

Since Holy Scripture does not say much on this subject we must accept it as one of many mysteries which will remain God’s secret (at least) during our time on this earth.

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Pessimistic systems, like certain religions (e.g. **Buddhism**) or philosophers (e.g. the German Schopenhauer) explain the presence of evil in the world by saying that the world (matter) tends to evil anyway. The existence of the world per se is seen as the root of all evil. Compare this with Greek philosophy, for example **Gnosticism** and **Neo-Platonism**. These conceptions maintain that the spirit is imprisoned in the body and that the latter is bad because it is material. The Bible though says exactly the opposite:

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Gen 1:31 *God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.*

Matter as such is not bad. When God created it at the beginning, it was good. It only became bad through the fall of man (his sin). Evolutionists would say that evil is an indispensable factor in the process of the development of life (from simple forms to complex ones). They

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⁵ I discuss this question in my brochure “*Biblical Anthropology*”.

believe that all that exists has developed from the most primitive stages to the most complex ones. This concept contradicts what the Bible says and is unacceptable for Christians. The world is not developing for the better nor is it developing to a higher level. The Word of God shows us exactly the opposite. Because of sin and the fact that most of mankind opposes the one true God, the creator of the universe, the world is steadily degenerating.

2. The fall of Satan

The early Church already saw a reference to the origin and fall of Satan in two prophetic texts. If we read the passages **Isa 14:9-14** and **Eze 28:11-19**, we must admit that the descriptions and statements can hardly all be applied to the kings of Babylon and Tyre. If it could be that God wanted to reveal certain truths about Satan through these passages – and I believe this to be the case –, then these prophetic passages will give us insight into the beginnings and early past:

- Satan was created by God (Eze 28:13.15).
- He held a special position (Eze 28:12-13). Maybe he was even the fourth after the trinity?
- He possessed a throne in heaven (Isa 14:13).
- He is called “**morning star**”, “**son of the dawn**” (Isa 14:12). The Vulgate (Latin translation of the O.T.) translates this expression with “**Lucifer**” (= **bearer of light**).

This angel prince was wonderful to such a degree (Eze 28:13) and mighty (Eze 28:14) “...*til wickedness was found in you.*” (Eze 28:15) What then was his sin?

His pride led to his downfall. **Sin originated in him** (Eze 28:16-17), — on the other hand it was introduced into man (by the temptation of Satan, cf. Gen 3). What was the sin of the devil, the sin of Lucifer? **Isa 14:13-14** gives us a possible answer to this question:

- *I will ascend to heaven...*
- *I will raise my throne above the stars of God.*
- *I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly.*
- *I will ascend above the tops of the clouds...*
- *I will make myself like the Most High.*

The verbs here in Hebrew are in the cohortative, which means, they are in the 1st person singular: “*I will ascend...*” or “*Let me ascend...*” etc.

Eze 28:16-18 summarises as follows:

- *Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence...*
- *Your heart became proud on account of your beauty...*
- *You have desecrated your sanctuaries.*

God declared his first judgement on Satan (others followed, see for instance in **Joh 12:31**; cf. **2Pe 2:4**):

...you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God... (Eze 28:16).

How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star! (Isa 14:12)

The Bible says nothing about the time of Satan's fall. Basically the following interpretations (hypotheses) are usually put forward:

a.) The restitution theory

5 Those who advocate this theory maintain that **Gen 1:2** speaks of a catastrophe in the first creation. This was caused by the fall of Satan. The Hebrew expression "*tohū wābohū*" indicates devastation. This hypothesis is called the "*restitution theory*" because it maintains that following this devastating catastrophe, God restored the world, i.e. beginning with Gen 1:3. The following biblical assertions seem to contradict this hypothesis.

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1. According to **Gen 1:31**, up to the 6th day of creation everything was "**very good**". The restitution theory however proceeds from **devastation** at the beginning of creation. The advocates of the restitution theory answer this by saying that the assertions of Gen 1:31 relate to the restored creation which is spoken of after Gen 1:3. But this
- 15 allegation can be refuted by pointing out that Satan and his angels (i.e. those that rebelled with him against God) were never restored. Hence the statement "and everything was very good" would be negated.
2. According to **Rom 5:12**, evil (sin) – and with that also death – only entered the world with the fall of Adam. How can evil have existed on earth before the fall of Adam
- 20 (which is implicit in the restitution theory)?

b.) The fall of Satan must have happened after the completion of creation

Gen 1:31 speaks of a completed creation which was very good. The fall of Satan should not be placed in **Gen 1:2**, but rather between **Gen 2:25** and **Gen 3:1**! This interpretation is not

25 inconsistent with other assertions in the Bible. I prefer therefore this interpretation to that of the restoration theory.

C. The person and work of Satan

1. Satan is a mighty person

30 The Bible speaks of Satan as a mighty person. He is not omniscient like God but possesses considerable knowledge:

- he knows the future (at least to some extent): cf. Rev 12:12
- he offers people his knowledge by the means of sorcery, spiritualism or consulting of the dead (cf. Deu 18:10-11)
- 35 • he knows the Word of God (cf. Mat 4:6; Jam 2:19)

His **feelings** show themselves in anger (Rev 12:12,17). His **will** showed itself when he fell (Isa 14:13-14; cf. 2Ti 2:26).

His activities and his names are also an indication of his personality. Here are some of his names (the Bible makes mention of more than 40):

1. **Tempter** (Mat 4:3; in Greek *πειράζων* [*peirátsōn*]): this name reveals Satan's main purpose. He began in Gen 3:1 with the temptation of man. He even tempted Jesus Christ the Son of God (cf. Luk 4:2; Heb 2:18; 4:15).
2. **Beelzebub** (Mat 12:24; in Greek *Βεελζεβοὺλ* [*Beelzebul*]): literally "lord of the flies", "lord of the dung" or "lord of the dwelling place"; that means that he is lord of the demons (cf. Rev 9:1.11: "Apollyon" = "destroyer").
3. **The evil one** (Mat 13:19; Eph 6:16; *ὁ πονηρός* [*ho ponēros*]): this name informs us about the corrupt and perverse nature of Satan (evil personified), but also about his activities, namely that he uses every opportunity to carry out evil and perversity.
4. **Liar and murderer** (Joh 8:44): this says everything! In Gen 3:4-5 the first lie succeeded. Satan is the initiator of all wars and murders (Rev 16:13-16; Dan 10:12ff).
5. **Prince of this world and god of this age** (Joh 14:30; 2Co 4:4): these names illustrate his influence on politics and religions. As prince, yes even "god" of this world, he has his own servants at his disposal (2Co 11:15), his own teachings (1Ti 4:1), his own sacrifices (1Co 10:20), his own temple (Rev 2:9) etc. The culmination of his activity as god of this world will be seen in the Antichrist in the end times (2Th 2:4; Rev 13).
6. **Roaring lion** (1Pe 5:8): the devil has an animal like nature (*tearing, strangling, and killing*). In other passages, his servants are spoken of as *wolves* (Mat 10:16; Act 20:29).
7. **Dragon** (in Greek *δράκων* [*drákōn*]; Rev 12:3-4.7-9.13.16-17; 13:4; 16:13; 20:2): the power and danger of Satan are clearly indicated through the image of the dragon. He spreads fear, terror, and murder. With reference to the Old Testament expression of *Leviathan*, we also call him "monster of the sea" (cf. "Leviathan" *לִיָּאָן* in Isa 27:1). Maybe this name is an allusion to his activities in "the sea of the nations" (cp. Rev 17:1.15)?
8. **Serpent** (Rev 12:9; 20:2): he is even called the "ancient serpent", presumably an allusion to Gen 3:1ff. Serpents are crafty (Gen 3:1) and shrewd (Mat 10:16).
9. **Accuser** (Rev 12:10): Satan accuses us before God. The simile of a court of law is used. Compare with Job 1:6-12 and Zec 3:1-9. How good that these passages are supplemented by 1Jo 2:1-2 and Rom 8:34. Satan also accuses believers before men. Satan the accuser does all in his power to make our sins public (not least in order to undermine our testimony) — see e.g. Tit 2:7-8 and 1Ti 5:14-15. The day is coming though when the accuser will be finally silenced!

2. The various activities of Satan

Holy Scripture says:

1Jo 3:8 *He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning.*

Joh 8:44 *He was a murderer from the beginning...*

Satan is the enemy of God. As such he opposes everything coming from God. The Bible is full of illustrations (and biographies) and expressions which reveal the activities of Satan. The actual aim of Satan's attacks is "to be like God"! He seeks dominion and wants to be worshipped.

Luther spoke of the devil as “God’s ape”, because he apes (imitates) what God is doing. You could say that he always twists the truth. The Bible speaks of:

- Satan’s kingdom (Luk 4:5-6)
- Satan’s throne (Rev 2:13)
- his power and splendour (Luk 4:5-6)

The Bible underlines the “religious character” of Satan’s activity:

- His **Triad** (Rev 16:13)
- His **prostitute** (as counterpart to the Church, the bride of Christ, cf. Rev 17:1-5; 19:6-9)
- His **angels** (cf. Rev 12:3-4.7-9)
- His **servants** (2Co 11:15): see in Rev 2:24 the mention of the so called “*Satan’s deep secrets*”, “*another gospel*” (Gal 1:6-7 R.S.V.), “*thieves*”, “*robbers*” and “*strangers*” (Joh 10:1.8-12), “*wolves*” (Act 20:29), “*false teachers*” (2Pe 2:1) and so on.
- His **synagogue** (Rev 2:9): he has his own “*worshippers*” (Rev 13:4), his “*sacrifices*” and “*fellowship*” (1Co 10:20 King James), his “*table*” and his “*cup*” (1Co 10:21).
- His “*miracles*” (2Th 2:9): through these he will, especially in the end times, deceive many (2Th 2:8-9; Rev 13:4.13-15; Mat 24:4-5.23-24). Compare this also with Pharaoh in Exo 7:11-13!

When speaking of the religious seduction of Satan, we think especially of the dark (→ occult) areas of sorcery, spiritualism, and also superstition. In these spheres, Satan develops his enormous power.

Many activities are attributed to Satan, e.g.:

1. He tempts (Mat 4:1)
2. He lies (Joh 8:44)
3. He takes possession of (Joh 13:27; Luk 13:16)
4. He blinds (2Co 4:4)
5. He hinders (1Th 2:18)
6. He devours (1Pe 5:8)
7. He accuses (Rev 12:10)

Satan works with **unbelievers**, that is he makes use of them (2Co 4:4; Eph 2:2-3; 1Jo 5:19; cf. Mat 13:19.25). His attacks are mainly directed against **believers**.

D. Victory over Satan

Satan is a conquered foe. In God’s eyes he is already judged. These are the stages of his judgement:

1. The first judgement followed his fall when he was thrown down from heaven to earth (cf. Rev 12:3-4 and chapter V.B.2. “*The fall of Satan*”).
2. The second judgement followed the death and resurrection of Christ (cf. Joh 12:31; Col 2:15; Heb 2:14; Rev 1:18).

3. Rev 12:9-10 speaks of a third judgement. From the time that the 42-month reign of the Antichrist begins (Rev 13:5; 12:9-14), Satan will no longer be able to accuse the brethren before the throne of God. The text of Rev 12:10ff indicates that at that time Satan and his Antichrist will commence on earth the greatest persecution of all times.
- 5 4. A fourth stage of his judgement will follow at the return of Christ, namely that Satan will be bound for 1000 years so that he cannot deceive mankind during that time (Rev 20:1-3.7).
- 10 5. His final judgement will follow the Millennium (Rev 20:3.7-10). He will then be thrown into the lake of fire, i.e. into hell, prepared for the devil and his angels (cf. Mat 25:41). Every person who follows him in his rebellion against God will join him there too (cf. Rev 20:14-15).

As believers we have to do with an enemy who is already defeated through the blood of Jesus Christ. That does not alter the fact that he is still powerful. God still allows him to act. Every
15 believer is involved in a battle of faith against him:

- 1Pe 5:8** *Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.*
- 20 **1Pe 5:9** *Resist him, standing firm in the faith...*
- Jam 4:7** *Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*
- 25 **2Co 2:11** *...in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.*

The well-known passage that speaks of the battle of faith against Satan is **Eph 6:10-18**. Alongside this there are other passages which refer to it:

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- Faith (Eph 6:16; 1Jo 5:4)
 - The Word of God (Eph 6:17)
 - The indwelling Holy Spirit (Joh 16:13; 1Jo 4:4)
 - The blood of Jesus and the word of testimony (Rev 12:11)
- 35 **1Jo 3:8** *The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devils work.*

E. Demons

The Greek word *δαιμόνια* (*daimónia*) is translated as “spirits” or “demons”. There are some translations in which this word is even translated as “devils” (e.g. the Luther’s German translation); this in spite of the fact that in the Greek New Testament the word “devil” (in Greek: *διάβολος* [*diábolos*]) is always in the singular. The word “*daimónion*” appears in the
40 New Testament over 60 times. In classical Greek “*daimónion*” means a lesser god. It is a fact that especially people of animistic background confuse demons with the souls or spirits of the dead. There is also a view which maintains that demons are the body-less spirits of a race that existed before Adam! However, these theories are not supported by biblical teaching. See for
45 example Psa 9:18; Eze 32:17-21; Luk 16:23, the spirits of unbelieving dead are in Hades (in O.T. *Sheol*, in N.T. *Hades*). It appears that the spirits of the dead can be questioned by those

who are (still) living. Nevertheless, it is very likely that in fact it is not the spirit of the dead person who answers the questions but a “disguised demon”. An exception to this is probably found in the well-known passage 1Sa 28. Saul demands that the witch of Endor consults the dead Samuel on his behalf. Maybe God allowed an exception in that the spirit of Samuel appeared to the disobedient and hardened Saul; this, however, only to announce to him the impending defeat against the Philistines and his death. However this may be, God forbids any contact with the dead (see Deu 18:11). Spiritualism is the religion of Satan. He is a liar (Joh 8:44), therefore his religion is full of lies. Believers must never accept teachings or messages originating from spiritualism. We must never listen to declarations from spirits, sorcerers or mediums. We must rather resist these in the authority of Jesus:

Mar 1:25 *But Jesus rebuked him saying “Be silent and come out of him!” (R.S.V.)*

1. The origin of demons

Compare this with the origin of Satan. The Bible speaks of:

Jud 6 *...and the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their own home – these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgement on the great day.*

2Pe 2:4 *For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to the underworld, putting them into gloomy dungeons to be held for judgement.*

Demons are without any doubt fallen angels; they are subject to Satan (cf. Mar 3:22; Rev 12:4). Some of them were immediately “bound” and held for judgement (2Pe 2:4; Jud 6; Luk 8:31). They are probably identical with those beings that are to be found in the Abyss and who will be freed for a certain time during the end time judgements to torment unbelieving men (cf. Rev 9:1 ἄβυσσος [abyssos]).

2. The activities of demons

Demons are subject to Satan (Mat 12:24) and help him in his fight against God and his angels. Among them there is also a hierarchy (cf. Eph 6:12; Mat 12:45). The Bible uses various expressions for them:

1. Lying spirits (1Ki 22:21-23)
2. Unclean spirits (Mat 10:1)
3. Evil spirits (Eph 6:12; cf. 1Sa 16:14)
4. Deceiving spirits (1Ti 4:1)

They oppose the plan and will of God (Dan 10:13,20; Rev 12:7). Today too, there is a relentless fight going on in the heavenly places (cf. Eph 6:12).

The end times will be marked by increasing demonism (cf. 1Ti 4:1ff; Rev 12:9,12; 16:14). When demons make their home in a person, we speak of “*possession*” (as regards obsession cf. e.g. Mar 5:2,16,18; Act 8:7). Here are some characteristics of a person possessed by evil spirits:

1. Someone “else” speaks out of this person (Mat 8:28-29)
2. Fear and resistance against God and his work (Mar 1:24)
3. Supernatural strength (Mar 5:4)
- 5 4. Rage and self-destruction (Mar 5:5)
5. Fortune telling (Act 16:16)

Possessed people can have a wide variety of sicknesses:

- 10 1. Muteness (Mat 9:32)
2. Blind and mute (Mat 12:22); blind (Mat 9:27ff; Mar 8:22ff)
3. Leprosy (Mat 8:1ff)
4. Insanity (Mar 5:2-4; 9:18; cf. Mat 17:14ff)
5. Deafness (Mar 9:25)
- 15 6. Crippled (Luk 13:11-13)

The aim of demons is the self destruction of men (Mar 9:22; cf. 5:13). Therefore, possessed people are often also in danger of committing suicide.

- 20 How does it come about though that people were or can be possessed by demons? In Holy Scripture we find indications e. g. in the biographies of Saul and Judas Iscariot. Hardening in sin and disobedience caused them to become possessed (1Sa 16:14; Joh 13:27). They both committed suicide. However, we must not forget that Saul and Judas were under the old covenant; that is they both lived before Pentecost. When they lived, the Holy Spirit had not yet been poured out on the believers (cf. Joh 7:38-39) to dwell in their hearts for ever (Joh 14:16; cf. Isa 59:21).
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F. Victory over demons

- Demons know that Jesus is the victor (also over them) (Luk 4:34 “*Have you come to destroy us?*”). They know that the day of their judgement is coming (Mat 8:29). They shudder before God (Jam 2:19).
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Col 2:15 *And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he [Christ] made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.*

- 35 **1Jo 3:8** *The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.*

Their eternal abode will be hell (eternal fire), compare Mat 25:41.

- Up to that time, believers can gain wonderful victories over demons. In a counselling ministry it is very important to know this. Jesus gave his disciples the following instructions:
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Mat 10:1 *He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits...*

- 45 **Mat 10:8** *Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, **drive out demons!***

Mat 17:16-21 ...But this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.⁶

Luk 10:20 However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven!

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Take note of the practice of the early Church:

Act 5:16 Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those tormented by evil spirits, and all of them were healed.

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Act 8:7 With shrieks, evil spirits came out of many, and many paralytics and cripples were healed.

The apostles cast out spirits in the authority and **name of Jesus**:

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Mar 16:17 And these signs will accompany those who believe: **in my name** they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues...

Act 16:18 “In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!” At that moment the spirit left her.

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Demons are only afraid of God and the name of Jesus Christ, compare Act 19:13-16. The letters of the New Testament call on us to distinguish between the spirits (1Co 12:10) and to test the spirits (1Jo 4:1). Compare also with the chapter “Victory over Satan” (chapter V.D.)

25 **G. Occult practices (magic, witchcraft, fetishism etc.)**

Let us not have any illusions, witchcraft, idolatry etc. are nothing less than the work of the devil. People who give themselves to these practices –whether they like it or not– come into contact with demonic powers. A person who is bound by such things can only be freed through the blood of Jesus Christ, by which Satan has been overcome (cf. 1Jo 3:8; Col 2:14-15).

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If we want the work of God to progress in our churches, then we must clearly speak against such practices. People who have not broken with these practices should not be accepted as church members. Any church member, professing to be a Christian, who (again) compromises in having to do with occult practices, and does not repent by turning from them, should be excluded (excommunicated) from the Christian fellowship.

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You cannot use occult practices to get into contact with demonic powers and at the same time serve Jesus Christ. You must decide for one or the other... you cannot do both!

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Mat 6:24 No one can serve two masters; either he will hate the one and love the other or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

⁶ This verse is not found in all manuscripts.

Compare also **1Co 10:22!**

Unfortunately I notice that in the realm of the occult there is great confusion even among
5 Christians. Not only the heathen but also many Christians live in fear of spirits and witchcraft.

Two examples of this: in areas where animism (still) prevails, people are often afraid to walk
past a grave yard. Especially at night people are afraid that they will be attacked by the spirit
of a dead person. Others are afraid to go near to the bank of a river in which it is said a
10 'crocodile-man' lives (a crocodile possessed by the spirit of an occult man). The list of such
phenomena could be extended at will.

People who are afraid of such powers buy a "protective charm" from a sorcerer to wear on the
body (e.g. on a necklace, on the hips or as a bracelet or anklet) or to place it for example
15 under the bed or in the house entrance (e.g. buried there). Many people sacrifice animals in
order to procure the favour of spirits or genies (imaginary gods).

Ancestor worship (animism) believes more or less the following: There is a transcendent god
who created everything. When the first man sinned, this god withdrew.⁷ Animism teaches that
20 after this god had withdrawn himself he gave man lesser gods (genies) and sorcerers. Some of
these lesser gods are good-natured others are malicious. You offer sacrifices to these gods in
order to appease them. Therefore an adherent of this religion will sacrifice a chicken to the
river-god to gain his favour so that he will grant a successful catch of fish. As I said before,
the adherents of this religion believe that the transcendent god has, among other things, given
25 man magic and sorcerers. A difference is made between *white magic* and *black magic*.
Sorcerers, who sell "protective charms", practice white magic, while those who sell a charm
that will harm someone practice black magic. However, this may be — both avail themselves
of the same source. They work with satanic power! People who contact these powers find
themselves in a vicious circle; they become slaves of satanic deceit. The cost of this is high,
30 not only does the sorcerer demand money for his devilish services but the Word of God tells
us that those who give themselves to such practices cannot inherit the kingdom of God which
is everlasting life (cf. Deu 18:10-14; 1Co 5:10-13; 6:9-10; Rev 21:8; 22:15).

The first missionaries who were confronted with such practices reacted in various ways. I
35 have heard of Catholic pioneer missionaries,⁸ who went around armed with scissors, to cut
strings on which locals wore amulets on the hips. This can by no means be the right method
of persuading people to do away with occult practices. You must first convince someone of
the true God, who alone can protect us from evil powers, before taking away his false god.
When a person, by the grace of God comes to true faith in Jesus Christ, then he should destroy
40 his amulets of his own free will (cf. e.g. Act 19:19).

The Bible forbids sorcery. As opposed to ancestor worship the Word of God says that there is
only one (true) God (Deu 6:4; 1Co 8:4; Eph 4:6; Jam 2:19) and no "lesser gods". Am I saying
that there are no evil spirits? No, because the Bible actually speaks of the existence of evil
45 spirits. The question to be asked is rather that of the identity of these spirits of which many
people are afraid. Animists believe that they are the spirits of their ancestors. I will illustrate

⁷ The Bible also speaks of an almighty God who created all things. But we are taught in God's Word that he did
not withdraw from man after the fall of man, rather he did everything possible to save man in his lost estate (cf.
Gen 3:9, where it says that God called Adam: "Adam, where are you?").

⁸ A white Catholic priest in the D. R. Congo told me this!

this pointedly with something that actually happened. A young wife⁹ in the jungles of the Congo had cared in an exemplary way for her bed ridden father in law. As he realised he was going to die he called his son and told him: “*My son, be careful to also treat your wife well also after my death* [she was the first of his two wives], *otherwise you will have to face me!*”

In this way the father wanted to make it clear to his son that he would have to reckon with his father’s spirit if he did not treat his first wife well. The son (influenced by animistic beliefs), believing that when his father died his spirit could in fact appear to him, would, all his life, be afraid to mistreat his first wife. You are tempted to think that, in this case at least animism had a positive outworking even if based on a misunderstanding or on erroneous beliefs.

The question is, can spirits of the dead (spirits of ancestors) in actual fact intervene in the lives of those living on this earth? Are spirits which here and there manifest themselves really spirits of the dead?

I do not think so because the Word of God teaches us something else. He who studies the Bible carefully will perceive that when someone dies, his spirit cannot return to this earth in order to act in any way. The spirit of the unbelieving deceased person must wait in the place of the dead (Hades) to be judged (O.T. = *Sheol*, N.T. = *Hades*; cf. Psa 9:17-18; Isa 14:21; 26:14; Luk 16:19-31), while the spirit of the believing deceased person will, immediately following his death, be “taken up” into the presence of his Lord Jesus Christ in heaven (cf. Luk 23:39-43; Rev 6:9-11). The example of the dead child of David and Bathsheba in 2Sa 12:23 could illustrate this. However, we need to remember that this happened during the times of the Old Testament; that is before the death of Jesus. Heb 9:27 says explicitly that **man is destined to die once**. After that, there is only one thing that awaits him, the eternal judgement of God (cf. Isa 24:21-22; 2Pe 2:9; Rev 20:13-15). When will this judgement take place? After the bodily resurrection of man, cf. Dan 12:2; Joh 5:24-29! When will the resurrection of man take place? That of believers at the return of Christ (1Th 4:13-17; 1Co 15:22-23.51-53, Rev 20:4-6), that of unbelievers however only following the kingdom of Christ, that is the reign of a thousand years (millennial kingdom), on the verge of eternity (Rev 20:7-15).

You may think that I am one of those rational Westerners who think that Africans (along with the Indians of South America etc., in short, all peoples who are influenced by animism) are hopelessly superstitious. It is true that most Europeans do not take occult practices seriously but regard them as antiquated superstition. I am not one of them; I believe in the existence of spirits and that magic (occult) powers are a reality. **I do believe though that the Word of God shows us that these spirits are not the spirits of ancestors (spirits of the dead) but demons.** What or who are demons then? Demons are – as I said above – fallen angels, angels who have rebelled against God, together with their leader, Satan, the once glorious cherub who fell (cf. Isa 14:12-14 and Eze 28:13-16). They are mentioned for example in 2Pe 2:4, Jud 6 and Rev 12:4. Their aim is to harm mankind (see e.g. Mar 5:1-20; Eph 6:12). Their leader is Satan in person. This also seems to be shown in the passage in **Rev 9:1ff**. The terrible and malicious locusts in this passage are undoubtedly demons which harm unbelieving mankind. In **Verse 11** it says explicitly that their leader is **Apollyon**; a Greek term meaning (also the Hebrew term *Abaddon*) “*destroyer*”. The fact that it says Apollyon is an angel, leads to the conclusion that the devil and his followers the demons are angelic beings. The devil’s aim is to destroy mankind (cf. Joh 8:44; Luk 13:16; 2Co 4:4; 1Pe 5:8) often through supernatural and deceptive appearances (cf. 2Th 2:9-12; Rev 13:2-4.13-15).

⁹ She was the daughter of one of my employees.

We must call to mind that if holy (good) angels can appear to men in the form of a human being, so also can fallen angels or demons (cf. Gen 18:8; Heb 13:2; 2Co 11:14). Satan has “his” people, his servants, who carry out his work (2Co 4:4; cf. Deu 18:10-12).

5 Many people are afraid of evil spirits, magic, amulets and the curses of those hostile to them. This fear is not just an expression of ridiculous superstition, because evil spirits and witchcraft actually exist; if this were not the case, the Bible would not speak of them as phenomena that really exist. People who do not have any protection against these dark powers can in actual fact be in danger. However, he who thinks he can get protection from a
10 “protecting charm” made by a sorcerer is mistaken. Why is this? It is because it is not possible to fight effectively by means of occult diabolical power against demonic satanic power (cf. **Mar 3:22-26**). How can you then protect yourself against evil spirits? What must you do in order not to be afraid of bad dreams, phantoms, crocodile-men etc? I must repeat again that evil spirits are demons, fallen angels; therefore curses or crocodile-men have nothing to do
15 with the spirits of ancestors, rather with demonic powers. If someone thinks that a person from the dead has appeared to him in a dream or as a phantom, then this is not true. It would rather be a demon, disguised as a man looking like the particular dead ancestor. Also hunting with the help of the spirits of the dead (an occult practice which is found in various tribes) is in that case the work of evil spirits not the spirits of the ancestors.

20 The only “medicine” which alone can guarantee true and effective protection against satanic powers is Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who came into the world to destroy the works of the devil (cf. 1Jo 3:8; Heb 2:14). Jesus has conquered the devil and his demons. How and by what means? In **Col 2:13-15** it says that Jesus has conquered the devil through his blood shed on
25 the cross. In Rev 12:11 we read that we can resist the devil through the blood of Jesus Christ, that we even have the victory over him. Now we do not carry the blood of Jesus like an amulet in a little bottle round our necks or our hips as the heathen do with their protective charms. No, we believe rather that we are victorious through faith in him and his work of redemption. A person escapes from Satan’s power by giving his life to Jesus Christ who has
30 conquered the devil and his angels (i.e. the evil spirits, the demons) on the cross. When Christians feel troubled by bad dreams or similar things, then he must simply call on the name of Jesus, then the devil and his demons must flee from him. They cannot stand against the blood of Jesus. No fetish can harm a person who belongs to Jesus, because he is under the protection of the blood of Jesus which is a more powerful “medicine” than all magic charms.
35 And we must not forget that the ineffective and deceitful magic of the magician is very expensive, whereas the blood of Jesus Christ – by which we mean his redemption – is free of charge for us (cf. Isa 55:1-3; Mat 10:8; Joh 7:37-39; Act 8:18-21; Gal 2:16; Eph 2:8-10; Rev 22:17). We must resist the devil and his demons in the name of Jesus, yes and even cast them out (cf. Mat 10:1; Mar 16:17; Act 16:18). He who is in Jesus is on the victory side, what a joy
40 and assurance!

I am closing this chapter with the recommendation to read the wonderful passage in Rom 8:34-39 and at the same time to remember that it is not enough to believe in Jesus only with
45 the understanding and to confess his name with our lips, no, the daily life of a Christian must be in harmony with the commandments of Jesus Christ, that means corresponding to Biblical standards. Faith without obedience to the commandments of the Lord is useless. Read the following Bible verses in this regard: Joh 3:36; Act 5:32; Heb 5:9; 12:14. In Jam 2:19 it says that the demons also believe that there is only one God. And in spite of this, they oppose him! Hence their “faith” is useless. The same is true for us, it is not enough to have a purely mental
50 (rational) faith, what is more important is that our (every day) life reflects our faith. Obedience and sanctification are indispensable. For this reason, James says (Jam 2:26) that

faith without deeds is dead. Judas Iscariot was one of the disciples of Jesus during the whole three years of his ministry. He had preached, evangelised, and possibly even cast out demons (cf. Mat 7:22; Luk 10:1-20). In spite of this, Judas was a thief (cf. Joh 12:4-6). Because of this, it also became possible for him to be a tool in Satan's hand and to betray Jesus (cf. Joh 13:26-27).

For this reason, victory over the devil and his demons is exclusively the portion of Christians who live lives of obedience and sanctification.

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אמאל ווען דער טשענגערער צדיק איז געזעסן און געלערנט אין זיין ספרים-צימער כדרכו בקודש, איז געקומען אין זיין הויז איינער וועלכער איז געווען נישט ווי אלע אנדערע וואס פלעגן צו קומען צום רבי'ן פון נאהנט און ווייט, און קיינער האט אים נישט געקענט, ער האט נאר געזאגט אז ער איז געקומען אין א גאר וויכטיגע שליחות צום רבי'ן, דערנאך ווען די רביצין און דער גבאי האט אים געהייסן אביסעל ווארטן, איז ער פלוצים אריין צום רבי'ן און געזאגט; איך בין געקומען צום רבי'ן אין שליחות איבערגעבען א וויכטיגע רפואה, און דער שליח האט אויפן לאנגן ספרים טיש אויפגעשריבן די רעצעפט און א סך אנדערע רפואות וואס קיינער האט עס גארנישט געקענט לייזענען, ער האט איבערגעלאזט א ברכה און ער איז גלייך נעלם געווארן.

פאר די רביצין איז די זאך נישט שטארק געפעלן געווארן, ווייל די גאנצע טיש איז געווען אנגעשריבן מיט אזא טינט וואס זי האט נישט געקענט דאס אפרייניגן האט דער טשענגערער רבי זי בארוהיגט אז ער וועט עס ריין מאכן, און אזוי ווי ער האט דעם כתב איבערגעשריבן אין א ספר איז עס באלד פון זיך אליין אפגעמעקט גע-ווארן און די טיש איז געווארן אזוי ריין ווי פריער.

דעם אנדערן טאג גאנץ פרי קומט אן איין הויף פון טשענגערער רבי'ן א וואגן וואס איז געווען אינגאנצן באדעקט מיט זילבער, און פון דארטן האט מען ארויסגע-נומען א חולה און אים געברענגט צום רבי'ן אין שטוב אריין, דער חולה האט געהאט א זייער שטארקע פיס קראנקהייט אז ער האט נישט געקענט שטיין אויף זיי. דער חולה איז געווען א גרויסער גראף וואס ער איז שוין אויסגעווען ביי די גרעסטע רופאים דאקטוירים און פיס שפעציאליסטן, בעדער און קור-ערטער און עס איז ווי געווען.

אזוי ווי ער האט שוין א סך געהערט פון דעם גרויסן פועל ישועות ורפואות דעם אידישן רבי'ן פון טשענגער אז ער גיט רפואות און ביי אים ווערט מען געהאלפן האט זיך דער גראף באן ברירה געמוזט אונטערגעבן און קומען קיין טשענגער, ווי ער וויל טאקע אויף זיך אליין זען אויב די זאך איז טאקע ריכטיג, און ער אליין האט טאקע געבעטן אז דער רבי זאל אים געבן א רפואה.

דער טשענגערער רבי האט מיט זיין תמימות געטראכט, און ער האט ביים ערשטן מיניט נישט געוויסט וואס פאר א רפואה אים צו געבן, איז אים געקומען דער געדאנק גלייך, דאס ער זאל אים געבן די רפואה וואס דער שליח האט אויפן טיש אויפגעשריבן האט דער רבי געהייסן אז מען זאל גלייך ברענגען די מעדעצין פון אפטייק און דאס געבן דעם גראף, ווען דער גראף האט נאר געזען דעם אפטייק פון דער רפואה איז ער גלייך געזונט געווארן, מחמת דאס איז געווען פאר אים צוגעגרייט פון הימל, דורך דעם גראף איז דערנאך ארויסגעקומען אסך ישועות פאר אידן.

דער אונסדארפער גאון און צדיק זצ"ל האט שפעטער דערציילט, אז ער האט פון טשענגערער רבי'ן אליין געהערט, וואס דער רבי האט אים אליין מגלה געווען, אז דער פרעמדער מענטש וואס האט אויפגעשריבן די רפואה איז געווען דער מלאך-רפאל אליין וואס דעמאלט איז ער דאס ערשטע מאל געווען ביי אים, און פון דעמאלט און הייטער איז ער מער און מער נתגלה געווארן, ביז עס זענען געקומען צו אים מענטשן אין די טויזנטער נאך רפואות און אלע זענען געהאלפן געווארן; זכותו יגן עלינו ועכ"א; טייערע ברידער נ"י; איר וועט קענען ארויסנעמען פון דעם הייליגן ספר אסך סגולות און רפואות, עס וועט אייך זייער צונוץ קומען אין אלע נויטן, דערפאר האף איך אז איר וועט האלטן דעם ספר, עס וועט אייך ברענגען א חיים של ברכה, געזונט-און פרנסה בריח מיט א סך נחת אמן.

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הקדמה

כתוב אשרי משכיל אל דל. ואין דל כמו החולה המוטל על ערש דוי. כי אף אם עשיר גדול הוא מה הנאה לו אז מעשרו. והנה משמעות משכיל הוא בפשטו לעיין בדבר בהשכל ודעת איך ובמה לעזור לו. וזה עיקר מלות בקור חולים לעיין ולבקר את מחלתו כדי להבין במה נוכל לעזור לו. והנה אמת הדבר שכבר חשבתי בזה ואמרתי בפירוש. כי אני אקח עלי עצודה הזאת. להוציא לאור ספר כזה הנחוך מאד להמלא בו סגולות מועילות ורפואות ביתיות וגם רפואות רוחניות. מאותן שניתנה רשות לכל אדם לעשותן בלי רופא. כי לא בכל מקום ובכל זמן יש באפשרות להשיג תיכף רופא. ובפרט העניים שאין ידם משגת לקרות רופא. וכל הספרים כאלה שהופיעו לאור עד עתה אין גם אחד מהם שיהי' בו תכלית המבוקש. כי בשורה הראשונה עומדים הספרים שבלי אמונה. מעשי טוביה. זבח פסח. תולדות אדם. מפעלות אלקים. זכירה. הנה הספר מעשי טוביה אמת שהוא היותר מועיל. אבל הרפואות שנמלאות בו מעט מוער הנה. ועיקרו נתחבר רק על יסודי, היגיענא' איך להשמר לבלתי ליפול במחלה. ושאר הספרים שזכרתי הלא הרפואות שמכרז בהם הן עוד מזמנים הקדמונים כאשר חכמת הרפואה עמדה בשפל המלכ דלה ורזה. ולא היו עוד בתי רוחלים גדולים כמו היום. רק היו רוחלים מחזירים בעיירות עם לרורות סממנים. והיו נוהגים אז לרפאות את החולים עם כל דברים נמאסים. דהיינו מיני לואה. מיני שתן. מיני מרה. חלבון וחלמון. חלב דוב. עור זאב. זנב ארי. קרן הלבי. טלפי הפיל. עיני נשר. אבני העטלף. ועוד בדומה להם. או שהדבר נמאס ונתעב ביותר או שרחוק הדבר להשיגו. ומה הועילו חכמים בתקנתן. וכן גם הקמיעות המוצאים באלו הספרים ג"כ על פי רוב הם מה שאסור עפ"י דין לעסוק בהם. כי מי זה ירהב לבו בימים האלה לעסוק בהשבעות מלאכים אדירים וקדושים. ומלבד זה הן מלאות שבזשים מחמת שגגת טעות הדפוס. והנה אחרי ספרים המזכירים קמו עוד בעלי מחברים אשר טחנו קימחא טחינא וקבלו דין מן דין להעתיק סגולות ורפואות מן המינים אשר זכרתי. והרבה עמלתי להשיג הספרים האחרונים שאינם נמלאים כל כך במדינותינו. הלא המה הספרים. מראה הילדים. רפואה וחיים. ימלט נפשו. האח נפשו. ימלא חיים. דבק מאח. אחתחת בנימין. כתר תורה. ילקוט משה. דברי יצחק. סגולות ישראל. וראיתי בכלם החזירו העטרה ליושנה. ולא יועילו ולא ילליחו לזמן הזה. ובכן לא נתנו לי רעיוני מנוח ועוררו אותי תמיד לאמר. חזק ואמץ כי עליך מוטלת המלאכה הזאת לחבר ספר כזה אשר יביא תועלת ומוזר להיושבים במקומות שאין רופאים מלוים. ובפרט לעניים ואביונים שאין ידם משגת לקרות תיכף לרופא. וכל מחלה בתחילתה נקל להעבירה או עכ"פ להמלישה גם ע"י רפואה קטנה. אבל אם אין לוחמים אתה כלל בתחילתה הנה תחגבר ותתעבס כעבות העגלה. ואנכי התעללתי בזה כי עסקתי בחיבורים אחרים. אמנם כאשר נחליתי על רגלי בריש שחא דשגת תרע"א. וכל משכבי הפכתי בחוליי ביסורים גדולים רח"ל. אז עלה על רעיוני אולי זאת עונש מן השמים על אשר

אני מתפלל בחיבור ספר כזה. והחלטתי בלבי כי כאשר יעזור לי **הספר** להחלימי ולהקימי בשלום אפנה מכל עסקי להוליך מחשבתי לפועל. ותודות לאל עליון אשר שלח לי עזרתו מקודש וירפאתי ממחלתי. וקרבותי אל המלאכה בצמחון לעוזר דלים שיהיה לי בעוזרי להשכיל אל דל לא בשטותים והבלים. כי אם ברפואות מועילות. אבל לא מנעתי מלבדור גם מעט רפואות וסגולות מן המוצאות בספרים הג'ל. אשר שקלתי בפלס אחת לאחת וביררתי מהן רק אותן שיש בהן פשרות לכל אדם להשיגם. וגם שהן אינן זרות מאד לחכמת הרפואה הגוהגת בזמן הזה. וכן גם בענין הקמיעות לקטתי וביררתי מהם רק אלה אשר ידועות וברורות לי עפ"י לירופן שאינן משוכשות. וגם שאינן מן השכשות מלאכים רק שמות קדושים של לירופי פסוקים שהן רק כמו תפלה חיומה ואדירה. ואלל כל רפואה וסגולה וקמיע שהעתקתי מן הספרים הג'ל הגנתי מקור מילאן בר"ת של הספרים הג'ל. ואלל אלה אשר הגנתי מיבת אס"ן ידע הקורא שהוא ר"ת *אברהם* *מרדכי* *נחום*. הלא כמה קדושה משולשת לדיקי יסודי עולם המגיד הקדוש מטורדים ואביו וזקנו וטקלה"ה ז"ע. אשר מקובל לי שהשתמשו באותן הסגולות או הקמיעות:

ורבה די והותר בדברים האלה שכתבתי שיבין הקורא תועלת הספר הזה. ואיני לריך להתגלל לפני הקוראים על מה ולמה באתי עד הלום לחבר ספרי זה. כי כמו שחולשי הראות נחזק להם בתי עינים המסיבים ומחזיקים כח ראייתם. וכמו שכל חיגר נלרך למקל אשר ישען עליו כן נלרך הספר הזה לכל איש ואיש. ואף גם זאת לא נעלם ממני כי לא יחסרו מתנגדים על ספרי זה אשר יחרזו עליו לשונם לשון נחש הקדמוני ולשון נחש בריח עקלתון. אשר רוח הקנאה וחמת שנאת חנם תבער בם. ויתפקשו לבלתי קנות אותו. אבל עליהם כתוב לנים פחים בדרך עקש. וכל שומר נפשו ירחק מהם ויתקרב אל ספרי לקנותו תיכף. כי אולר יקר וגחמד הוא. ובפרט כי גם הספר בעלמיותו הוא סגולה גדולה להחיש ישועה למקשה לילד ושמידה ליוולדת. בהנחת הספר הזה מכוסה תחת מראשותיו של נפש נענה בכח שמות המלאכים האדירים הנזכרים בהקמיעות של הספר הזה:

ובענין הלחשים לא עשיתי כל בירור וליקוט. ולא מנעתי מלהביא את אשר עלו במאודתי הרבה לחשים לכמה מיני מחלות. הן אלה הלחשים אשר נדפסו בספרים הג'ל והן אלה אשר נמלאו אללי בקבלה. כי הלא עיקר כח הסגולות והלחשים. אלו כמו אלה. הוא רק כח הפה. שהלדיק גוזר והקב"ה מקיים. אבל אחת שנלרך גם לו איזו פעולה גשמית. ובירדאי יש בזה סוד. ולזאת לא רליתי לעשות בירור בהם. כי אם ילאו מפי פה קדוש כלס יועילו אבל אם הסגולות והלחשים ילאו מפי איש פשוט שאין לו כח הפה. מסופק אגבי מאד אם יועילו. כאשר הארכתי בענין זה בפנים במערכת „סגולה“. ולאלה מוטב להם לתמוך על עזרת הרפואות המרפאות בכח דרך הטבע. כמו שהלחם מרפא את מחלת הרעב בכח דרך הטבע. וע"ז כתוב ורפא ירפא. ודרשו חז"ל מכאן שנתנה התורה רשות לרפאות. וע"כ עמלתי הרבה ללקט רפואות

רפואות ביימיות ורפואות רוכליות מן הרבה סגרי חכמי הרופאים אשר חזו
בזמן הזה. והלגתי את הרפואות בשמותן של לשון ליטוין כמו שנקראות אל
הרוכלים כל כל העולם. שהתאחדו כלם בענין זה שהשמות העיקריים של
הרפואות יהיו כמו שנקראים בלשון ליטוין. ובכן יוכל כל איש ואיש מאלו
מדינה שהוא להשיג אותן הרפואות אל כל הרוכלים שבעולם. כי לא נמלאו
בהן סמי מות. ולא נמלאו בהן את אשר יוכלו לגרום שום נזק וקלקול להחלה
כי אם את אשר יוכלו להביא מזון ומרפא לגרש את המחלה כלה. או
עכ"פ להחלישה:

ומעתה נשאר לי רק להפליג לאל גומד עלי שיהי בעוזרי שלא יארע על
ידי ח"ו שום מכשול ותקלה. כי אם שכל חולה ימלא בספרי
זה רפואה ותעלה. וזכות זה יעמוד לי שאזכה לעלות מעלה מעלה ואדע להשיג
לשואלי תשובה אמיתית על כל שאלה ושאלה. ואל יבושו בי קוץ היא לבאות.
ואל יכלמו בי מבקשי אלוי ישראל. ואזכה לראות צבוא לגיון גואל. במהרה
בימינו אמן:

דברי המחבר המלצה לישועה בקרוב כנלל ונפרש

הק' יודל ראזענבערג



הקדמה

כ לא לסתור הגיור חלק אליו בזה מה שראיתי מובא באזה ספרים קטנים סגולה להריון שהאשה העקרה תזלע ערלה מן התינוק הנמול. ועוד ראיתי לומדים משברים את ראש ומפלפלים בזה אם מותר לעשות סגולה זו או לא. שהרי בשר האדם מחוסר אכילה הוא. ויש מדחיקים עצמם להסיר מחמת דבליעה הויא שלא כדרך הנאתן. והנה כל זה כדאי ה' אפשר למפל ולעין בזה אם היינו שומעים שלפעמים נפקדה עקרה ע"י סגולה זו. או אם היינו מבינים איז מחשבות בסגולה זאת לומר שבזכות המצוה הזאת שתזלע האשה ערלה תפקד בהריון. או אפשר שע"י כח הערלה תפקד בהריון מחמת שהערלה מתן בה כח שתוכל לקבל הריון. או שהערלה תכריח את המלאך הממונה על הריון שיפקוד בהריון לאשה הזאת. אבל כמדומה לו שכל בר דעת יודע ומבין שאין שום שייכות הן עפ"י כח רוחניות והן עפ"י כח טבעית לאמר שע"י סגולה זאת תפקד העקרה. ובכן אחאפק כל אוכל מלומר על אלה המפלפלים בדין הזה שאין כדאי להם לבלות זמן ונייר ודיו על שטותים והבליים כאלה. כי עושים רק חוכא ומלילא שתמלא כוחות בספרות ישראל. כי היתכן לומר שבנות ישראל יבלעו בקרבן דבר המתועב ומשיקן ביותר שהוא חלקו של הגחש הקדמוני אבי אבות הטומאה. ועוד לבדות שקר מגונה כזה ולומר שע"י ימן השי"ת הריון להעקרה. הלא ידוע מאמר חז"ל מאוסה הערלה שנתנו בה הרשעים וכו'. ובזה"ק מובא כמה פעמים שזה חלקו של הגחש הקדמוני. וע"כ נותנים הערלה בעפר עד"ר הכתוב ונחש עפר לחמו. ועל כן אני אומר בפירוש שאותן הרבילעך שנותנים סגולה כזאת הם אך קלי הדעת וכלי דעת. כי רואים בספרים קטנים סגולות מהבילות. וסוברים שכל מה שנדפס בספרים כאלה הם דברים שיש בהם ממש. ואין יודעים בין ימינם ושמאלם לברור אוכל מתוך פסולת ואור מתוך חשך ומתוך מתוך מר. ומתח להיות מחקן הוא מסכן ומקלקל. כי זה דבר ברור שמעולם עוד לא נפקדה שום עקרה ע"י שטות כזה. ורק עוד מדביקים כח הטומאה בבנות ישראל. ומי יודע אם לא יקימו עוד מהבילים כאלה לומר סגולה חדשה שתזלע האשה מים האחרונים וע"י תפקד בהריון. כי היינו הך. שהרי גם על מים האחרונים אמרו זה חלק אדם רשע וגו' כידוע. אמרתי להאריך עוד יספר בזה. אבל שוב נחמתי ואמרתי כי די בזה למבינים:



ספר רפאל המלאך

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אבן. אם יש אבנים בבני מעיים בכליות או בכיס או בגיד. מגולה שתקח עז ולא תחלוב אותה ג' ימים וג' לילות ואח"כ יחלבו אותה. ותיכף אחר החליבה ליתן להחולה לשתות החלב החם. ומוה יחוצצו האבנים (מ"א):

אבן. מגולה אם יצא מן החולה אבן עם השתן. יכתוש האבן היטב וישתה האבק מעורב באיזו משקה. ולא תצמח עוד אבן בקרבו (מ"א):

אבן. רפואה לערב במים כף קמון, "טרונק-סאדע" ולשתות. כן יעשה ג"פ ביום אחר האכילה:

אבן. רפואה לשתות בכל בקר אליבא ריקנא עשר טיפות, "סערפאטין" טוב מעורב בחלב:

אבן. לאבנים בכל מקום שהם רפואה לקנות באפמייק עשב הנקרא בלשון לימין, "פלארעם-ראואנדולין" ולבשל ביין טוב ולשתות כף יין בכל ב' שעות ויועיל בעזה"ש:

אבן. רפואה לקחת זרע של שום ולשרות במים ויותר טוב ביין כ"ד שעות. ואח"כ ישתה המשקה בערך ג' "גלעזליך" ליום. ועל חצי "גלאז" זרע שום יוכל ליתן ג' "גלעזער" כים, או ב' "גלעזער" יין (מ"א):

אבן. רפואה לקחת א' ליטרא ברפס הנקרא פיעטרושקא. א' ליטרא צנון חצי ליטרא חריין. ולבשל כל זה ביחד עם ג' קווארט מים בקדירת

פבוסה עד י"ב שעות. אח"כ תסנן המרק ע"י מפה. וישתה החולה מנה בערך ג' גלעזער ליום. ובאם קשה עד החולה לשתות המים יוכל לערב

בהם מעט, "מאלינץ-סאק" (מ"א):

אבן. רפואה לבשר כמו טיי עשב הנקרא באפטיק בלשון ליטין „פאלי-נאגום-אאוריקולארע“. וישתה מזה בערך ג' גלעזער ליום:

אבן. אם קשה על החולה להשתין. מחמת מחלת האבנים והחול אשר בכליות והכיס. רפואה לבשר כרפס הנקרא פיעמרושקא במים וליתן לו לשתות:

אבן. רפואה לעצירת השתן לבשל להחולה האבן-גריץ. וישתה מים שנתבשלו בהם תבואה שכולת שועל הנקרא האבן, וגם ישים בהמים שמבשל להחולה לשתות עשב הנקרא באפטיק בלשון ליטין „עקוויזעמי“:

אבן. סגולה לעצירת השתן. שישב החולה נגד האש ותמשחנו במרת פרה מן המבור עד רגליו. ועי' יגרשו האבנים מן השלתופת (מ"א):

אבן. רפואה לעצירת השתן לעשות להחולה אמבטאות חמות מן מים שנתבשלו בהם שכולת שועל או התכן של שכולת שועל ביחד עם חצי לימרא עשב הנקרא באפטיק בלשון ליטין „עקוויזעמי“:

אבידה. מי שנאבדה לו אבידה. סגולה שיגדר תיכף מעות או שמן למאור לעילוי נשמתו של ר' מאיר בעל הנס. ויאמר בזה הלשון „אלהא דמאיר ענני. אלהא דמאיר ענני. ויעזור לי שאמצא או שיחזירו לי במהרה את האבידה אשר אבדתי. בזכות זה שאני מצדב סך... לעילוי נשמתו של ר' מאיר בעל הנס זכור לטוב“. וכאשר תעלה בידו לעשות סגולה זו תיכף אחרי שנאבדה האבידה יעזר לו השי"ת שימצאנה במהרה (מדת"ל):

אבידה. מי שנאבדה לו אבידה סגולה שישתוק ולא יגלה לשום אדם. רק יהפוך הכתונת שלו וילך וישכב בה כך ג' מעת לעת. וימצא או שיחזירו לו אבידתו. אבל לאחר שגילה הדבר לאיזה איש. לא תועיל לו סגולה זו (מ"א):

אהבה. סגולה להיות אהוב לכל דומר בכל יום כל הנגינה, פשטא מנח זרקא וכו' עד גמירא בהניגון של החומש. (ר"א):

אהבה. אם תרצה אהבת מי שהוא. סגולה שתקח כוס מים או יין או שכר ומלא לונמך ותחזיר המשקה להכוס. כן תעשה פעם אחר פעם בתכיפות עד ג"פ. ותתן המשקה לזה לשתות ותרא פלאים (זכירה):

אהבה. אם תרצה אהבת מי שהוא. סגולה שתערב בכוס באיזו משקה י"ב טפות מן השתן שך ותתן לזה לשתות (מ"א):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. סגולה שיקח האיש תפוח זהב הנקרא "פאמיראני" אשר המין שלו אדום כדם ויסיף בתוכו ג' טיפות מדם אצבעו הקטן ויתן להאשה לאכול. ותאהב אותו (ר"ח):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. סגולה שיחתוך האיש צפורני ידיו ורגליו וישרפם לאבר ויערב האפר באיוו מסקה ויתן להאשה לשתות. ותאהב אותו (ר"ח):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. סגולה שיקח האיש ג' שערות מראש האשה ויכרוך אותן על מחט ויתחוב המחט בקרקע. ותאהב אותו (זכירה):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. סגולה שתרחץ האשה דדיה באיוו מסקה ותתן המשקה לבעלה לשתות. ויאהב אותה (שב"א):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. סגולה שתקבץ האשה לתוך כוס קטן ויעת פניה בשעה שיושבת באמבטי חמה. ותערב הויעה ביין ותתן לבעלה לשתות. ויאהב אותה (ר"ח):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. אם אין להבעל שלום בית ושונא את אשתו. סגולה לכתוב שמו ושמה כתיבה תמה על קרף חלק ועב בשורה אחת. ותחת השורה הזאת יכתוב עוד שורה אחת כזה, **אתה** שלום וביתך שלום וכל אשר לך שלום. ולהניח הקלף בתוך איוו מסקה עד שימחה הכתב. ודבעל לא ידע כלל מזה. והאשה תתן לבעלה לשתות המשקה הזה. ותעבור השנאה מלבו. ואם יצל תעשה זאת ערב שבת בהיין שהוכן לקידוש ליל שבת (בקבלה):

אהבה בין איש לאשתו. אם הבעל נעשה שונא לאשתו ואינו רוצה לדור עמה. סגולה שתקח האשה י"ט פלפלין שלמים. ומעט סיד חי. ומעט כסף חי. ומעט מלח. ותשים כל זה על כיסוי קדרה של חרס. אח"כ תשפוך על כל זה שפירט של יין שרף. ותעמיד הכיסוי על התנור ותדליק זאת ותאמר, כשם שזאת בוער כן יבער אלי לב בעלי פב"פ עד שיבוא אצלי ויעשה רצוני" (מ"א):

איוון. לכאב האיוון. רפואה שתצלה בצל ותסחוט ממנו המין ותערב שוה בשוה עם שמן שקדים מרים. ותטבול בזה פתילה של וואמי ותניח באיוון וישקוט הכאב (ר"ח):

איוון. לכאב האיוון. רפואה שתקח מרה של חזיר ותערבנה בחלב אשה. ותטבול בזה פתילה של וואמי ותניח באיוון וישקוט הכאב (ר"ח):

איוון. לכאב האיוון. רפואה שתקח מרה הן מבהמה והן מעוף ותערוב בו

מעט שתן של אותו אדם וגם מעט חלב אשה הכל שוה בשווה ותחמם מעט על האש. ותערב היטב. ותטבול בזה פתילה של וואטין ותניח באוון (מ"א):

אוון. לכאב האוון אצל ילדים. רפואה שתטיף אשה מינקת לתוך האוון חלב חם מן הדדים (מ"א):

אוון. לכאב האוון אצל גדולים. רפואה לערוב מעט שמן, כאמפאר עם מעט שמן, קאיפוטין אשר יקנה באפטיק. ויטבול בזה פתילה של וואטין ויניח בתוך האוון פעם אחת בכל יום:

אוון. לקלקול השמיעה. רפואה להטיף באוון חלב כלבתא חם (מ"א):
אוון. לקלקול השמיעה. רפואה שתקח חתיכה שומן מתרנגולת וחתיכה שומן מאוזן בלתי מלוחים ותרתיח השומנים עד שימוסו. אח"כ

תסנן השומן ותטיף ממנו איזו טפות פושרין לתוך האוון (מ"א):
אוון. לרעש באוון. רפואה להרתיח מרה של כבש עם שמן זית שוה בשווה ויטבול בזה וואטין ויטיף לאוון:

אוון. לקול הברה באוון. רפואה לבשל קליפת אתרוג בשמן זית טוב. ותטיף ממנו לתוך האוון ג' טיפות בבקר וג' טיפות בערב (מ"א):
אוון. לרעש באוון ובראש. רפואה לערוב כף אחת, קאלן בראמאטין בתוך גלאז מים וישתה מזה ד' כפות בכל יום:

אוון. אם נכנס שרץ קטון באוון. רפואה להרתיח חמאה עם מלח ותטיף באוון פושרין. או שתטיף שמן שקדים מרים פושרין לתוך האוון ויצא משם השרץ (מ"א):

אויב. להכניע אויבים איתא בגמרא השכם והערב עליהם לבית המדרש ויש קבלה אמיתית סגולה גדולה לומר בגמר תפלת שחרית ובגמר תפלת ערבית אחרי עלינו לשבח הפסוקים של אל תירא מפחד פתאם וגו' אח"כ יוסיף עליהם עוד זה הפסוק, לא יתיצב איש בפניכם פחדכם ומוראכם יתן ה' אלהיכם על פני כל הארץ אשר תדרכו בה כאשר דבר לכם (ימ"נ):

אויב. כשאדם הולך בדרך ופגע באויבים. סגולה לומר אלו הששה פסוקים על אצבעות ידו הימנית. והם. תורת ה' תמימה וגו'. עדות ה' נאמנה וגו'. פקודי ה' ישרים וגו'. מצות ה' ברה וגו'. יראת ה' מהורה וגו'. משפטי ה' אמת וגו'. ויתחיל למנות מן האגודל ואז יבוא השם הקדוש תמיד על האצבע. ואח"כ יראה האצבע נגד האויב. ולא יוכל להרע לו (ארה"ח):

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אויב. להכניע את האויב סגולה לקחת חרדל ומלח וליתן בכלי ותשתין בתוך הכלי ותעמיד את הכלי כך במקום סתר ג' ימים. ואחר ג' ימים תשפוך מן הכלי על פתח ביתו של האויב ויבנע (רו"ח):
אויב. כאשר תפגע בשונא שלך תאמר לפניו, אמתלאי בת עורבתא ג"פ (מד"ת):

אויב. להכניע השונאים תתפלל עליהם בכל יום ו' מזמורי תהלים האלה. ל"ה. מ"ח. נ"ג. נ"ד. נ"ה. ע"א. ע"ד (ש"ת):

אויב. לסתום פי שונא שלא ידבר עליך רעה. סגולה שתקח בשבת ושזור ממנו חוט ארוך. ולך אל קבר ומדוד הקבר מראשו עד סיפו. ומיד תקשור קשרים הרבה בזה החוט. ותאמר על כל קשר וקשר, בכאן אני קושר וסותם פיו של פב"פ שלא יוכל לדבר עלי רעה.
אח"כ תקבור שם החוט הנקשר (ל"ש):

אויב. אם פגעת באויבך ואתה יודע שרצונו להרע לך תקרא לנגדו בכוונה ו' פעמים השם הקדוש **אוריאל**. ואחר פעם הו' תאמר, הצילני מאויבי ולא יוכל להרע לך (ת"א):

איצטומכא. אם נתקלקלה האיצטומכא ע"י קרירות. ועי' האדם מקיא את המאכל בחזרה תיכף אחר האכילה או השתיה. רפואה לבשל א' לויט בושם, נענעלעך בקווארט מים. ואחר שיתקררו המים ישחה החולה מן המים מעט מעט. ומאכלו יהיו קרים. ומעט מעט יאכל וישחה:

איצטומכא. אם נתקררה האיצטומכא ומקיא תמיד מאכלו ומשתהו. רפואה לקנות באפטיק, מיענטא-טראפען עם, וואלעריאן-טראפען ויערבם שוה בשוה. ויקח בכל שעה בערך מ"ו סיפות על חתיכה ציקער. וגם יניח על האיצטומכא, חלאדנא חמה מן זרע פשתן הנקרא, ליאנע-שעמין ויחבוש ממעל בדבר רך וחם:

איצטומכא. לחוק כח העיכול באיצטומכא ולתאוות אכילה. רפואה לקנות באפטיק העשב הנקרא, צענטאריע ויבשל כמו סיי ביחד עם קליפות יבשות של, פאמיראנצען וישחה מזה איזה פעמים ביום. ואם אינו יכול לכבול זה העשב יכול ליקח במקומו העשב הנקרא באפטיק, פאל מילעפאלי לבשלו ג"כ עם קליפות, פאמיראנצען כנ"ל:
איצטומכא. להקאה מועילה הרבה פעמים רפואה הזאת להניח על הבטן

בנגד האיזטומכא שאור הנידוש עם חרדל כתוש. ולפעמים מועיד נ"ב
להניח שם חריין מנורד:

איצטומכא. כל אדם צריך לזוהר שיהיו מעיו רפין כל ימיו ויהא
קרוב, שלשול מעט, ועיניו ימלט מהרבה מחלות קשות:

אכילה. לחשקות אכילה. רפואה שתטעום בבקר מעט, קרימעטאטארע:
אכילה. שלא תזיק לך האכילה. סגולה לומר קודם האכילה השם

הקדוש **רפאל** (ח"ט):

אכילה. שלא תזיק לך האכילה תהי' זהיר עכ"פ באלה עשרת האזהרות.
(א) אל תכלע המאכל בלי טחינה ולעיסה היטב.

(ב) א ת 5 בשעת כעסך:

(ג) אל תאכל בשר אלא בין הערבים.

(ד) סעודת לילה תהי' קלה מסעודת היום.

(ה) תקדים לאכול מאכל הקל לפני מאכל הגס.

(ו) אל תאכל לחם חם או שאינו אפון היטב.

(ז) אל תאכל בצים קשים כי אם רכים.

(ח) אל תאכל דגים מתים שנתישנו. וגם לא בשר ישן.

(ט) אל תאכל כל פירות עם קליפתן. מאותן ששייך בהם חשש משמוש
ידיים של אנשים חלשים.

י מנע עצמך מאכילה גסה וממאכלים חריפים וממשקאות חריפות:

אכילה. צריך לזכור מה דאיתא במסכ' בבא קמא שיש פ"ג מיני חלאים
התלוין במרה כמנין מחל"ה. וכולן פת במלח וקיתון של מים

שחרית מבטלת. ובמסכ' ב"מ איתא י"ח דבר נאמרו בפת של שחרית.

מצלת מן החמה ומן הצנה ומן המזיקין ומחכימת פתי וזוכה ללמוד וללמד

ודבריו נשמעין ותלמידו מתקיים בידו ואין בשרו מעלה הבל ונוקק עם

אשתו ואינו מתאוה לאשה אחרת והורגת כנה שבמעים, ויש אומרים אף מכנים

אהבה ומוציא קנאה. ואיתא באחרונים דהיינו קינוח סעודה ולא סעודה

בקביעות כי זמן קביעות סעודה ממש היא לת"ח בשעה ששית אחר שקם

ממטתו ולשאר בני אדם ברביעית:

אם. לכאב האם. סגולה שהאשה תעשן עצמה בשער בעלה. באופן

שיכנס העשן בפנים (מ"א):

אם. אם יש נפוח והתקשות באם או באשכול הביצים. רפואה שתעשה

לה אמבטאות מן קלופת, דאמב". וגם תבשל, דאמב" במים ע

שהמים

אם. שהמים יהיו אדומים. ותסנן ותעשה לה מזה, שפריציוואנעס" בפנים.
לזיבה ירוקה מן האם. רפואה שתעשה לה, שפריציוואנעס" מן כף
„טיי-סארע“:

אם. לזיבה ירוקה מן האם. רפואה שתבשל, האָפּען" במים ותשתה חם.
כמו ששותין טיי ע" צוקער:

אם. לכאב האם בשעת הוסת. רפואה שתבשל עשב, ראָזמאַרין" ותשתה
עם צוקער:

אסטמא. היא מחלה קשה שנתבטל אצל החולה כח הנשימה. לפעמים
בא זאת מן מחלת הלב. ולפעמים מן מחלת הריאה. ואם
האסטמא היא מן מחלת הריאה ע"י התרבות הליחות. רפואה לשתות כמו
טיי העשב הנקרא באפטייק בלשון ליטיין, פּעקטאָראַלעס-קרייטעכץ" איזו
פעמים ביום. וגם רפואה לשתות בכל יום ה' טיפות, יאָדינא" מעורב
בחצי „גליאז" חלב. וגם רפואה שירתח בקדרה חצי לוג מים ואח"כ ישים
בהקדרה ט"ו טיפות „טערפענטין". ויסבב את פי הקדרה עם נייר באופן
שיהי' נעשה מלמעלה פה קצר. ואז ישאף בקרבו את הפארי היוצא
מלמעלה. כן יעשה בבוקר ובערב:

אסטמא. לאסטמא של מחלת הריאה. רפואה לשתות חלב פרה חם עם
חמאה. וגם טוב לשתות חלב עז חם תיכף אחר החליבה.
ועיין עוד לקמן מזה בסימן „ריאה" ובסימן „שיעול“:

אסטמא. אם האסטמא באה מן מחלת הלב רפואה לערוב דבש דבורים
עם חמאה מפלה ולסנן ביחד אצל האש. וגם לערוב בתוכו א'
„גלעזיל" יין שרף טוב. אח"כ יעמוד הטיגון במקום קר עד שיקרוש, ויאכל
מזה איזו כפות קטנות ביום. ועיין עוד לקמן בסימן ל"ב ותמצא עוד
רפואות לחזק את הלב:

אסטמא. לאסטמא של מחלת הלב. רפואה ליקח א' „גליאז" שבורת שועל
ותשים בקדרה עם ג', „גליעזער" מים ותבשל היטב עד שיעמדו
המים על גליאז אחד. אח"כ תסנן המים ותערב בהם חצי גליאז דבש
דבורים ותחמם ביחד על האש. וישתה החולה מזה בכל שעה כף קטנה:
אסטמא. לאסטמא של מחלת הלב. סגולה בשעה שהמחלה תתקוף על
חחולה להדוק היטב את הזרוע השמאלית עם „פּערטשיילע".
וגם סגולה שישים החולה ב' כפות ידיו עד למעלה מן הדופקים בתוך
מים חמין כשעור שיכול לסבול:

אסכרה. סגולה להשמר הילדים ממחלת האסכרה רח"ל. להיות נזהר
לבלתי

לבלתי היות עם הילדים בחוץ בשעת כולד הלבנה (וזה"ק) :
אסכרה . סגולה לאסכרה בילדים רח"ל . שתמהר אמו או אחותו או קרובתו תיכף בתחלת המחלה להכניס אצבע יד ימינה באותו מקום שלה ואח"כ תכניס האצבע בפי התינוק ויתרפא במח בעזה שית (רו"ח) :
אסכרה . מחלת האסכרה בילדים היא מחלה קשה רח"ל ונחויץ לזה רופא מומחה . וטרם שיבוא הדאקטער נחויץ ליתן להילד להקיא . ולחבוש את צוויירו עם קאמפרעסען קרים למבול מפה במים עם מלח ולסחוט היטב ולחבוש את הצוואר . ועל זה צריך לחבוש ממעל עם דבר רך חם , וגם יכול לחבוש עם קאמפרעסען של מים עם שפירט יין שרף שוה בשוה . ואחר ההקאה נחויץ ליתן להילד לשלשל שמן רצין :
אסכרה . בארצות הקדם מרפאים אסכרה ברפואה בייתית כזה . לוקחים צואת כלב ושורפין אותו לאפר . והאפר מעבירין בקיסמי או שמנפין אותו בגפה דקה שהאפר יהי' אבק דק כקמח . ועושים קנה צר מן נייר . ופותחין היטב פה התינוק עם כף קמון ומפוחין עמוק בגרונו ע"י הקנה את האבק הזה ונרפא בזה (רו"ח) :

ארם . לארם של דבורה או זכובים . ימעה את הדבורה או הזכוב . זאת או אחרת . בעודנה חיה וימרח על הנשיכה . אבל צריך מתחלה למשוך מן הנשיכה את העוקץ של הדבורה . (מ"א)

ארם . לארם של דבורים או זכובים . לאחר המשכת העוקץ יניח על מקום הנשיכה חתיכה בצל . ולאחר שחתק החתיכה מן הבצל יניחה תיכף על מקום הנשיכה :

אריכת ימים . סגולה לאריכת ימים להזהר מלדבר שקר . כי רוב שקרנים מתים בקצרות ימים (לקהר"ן ומ"פ) :

אריכת ימים . סגולה לאריכת ימים לומר בכל ר"ח אחר אמירת הלל כזה . ואברהם זקן בא בימים וה' בירך את אברהם בכל . וגדיה ישמרני ויחייני כן יהי רצון מלפניך אלהים חיים ומלך עולם אשר בידך נפש כל חי אמן . כן יאמר ג"פ . ובאיוה סידורים כבר נדפס אחר ההלל תפלה הזאת :

אריכת ימים . סגולה לאריכת ימים שלא לדבר מה שלא נחויץ כל כף בבית המרחץ ובבית הכסא . אפי' דברים של חול (ס"ח) :

אריכת ימים . סגולה היותר גדולה לאריכת ימים היא התורה והמצות שנקראת עץ חיים .

בטן. אם נתקשה הבטן בצד שמאל. במקום הטחול זה סימן שהטחול נפוח. רפואה ליקח ברזל, שטאה"ל של איזו ליטורות ותלבן באש ותכבה במים בערך, קוואטיראל אחת. אח"כ תערוב המים עם יין טוב שזה בשוה. וישתה מזה החולה ג' או ד' כפות ליום:

בטן. להתקשות הבטן בצד שמאל במקום הטחול. רפואה לבשל, גערשטינע גראפין עד שיתרכבו. אח"כ תטנן אותם בשומן חזיר. ותניח מזה חלאדנעס חמות על מקום הכאב:

בטן. לשטעכעניש בבטן. רפואה ליקח, ווייצענע קלייען עם מלח ולחמם היטב בקדרה על האש בלי משקה. אח"כ תולף בקדרה מעט חומץ עד שיתלחלו הקלייען. ותניח מזה חלאדנעס חמות על מקום הכאב:

בטן. לשטעכעניש בבטן. רפואה לבשל זרע פשחן כתוש במים ביסול עבה ולשום בתוכו כף קמון, קאמפער כתוש ולערוב היטב. ותניח מזה חלאדנעס חמות על הבטן:

בטן. לשטעכעניש בבטן ע"י, ליפטפערשפארונג. רפואה לקנות באפטייק קליפת, קרושינא ותבשל כמו טיי ותשתה:

בטן. לגרימעניש בבטן עם שלשול שע"י קרירות. רפואה לקנות באפטייק עשב, מיענטא עם שורש, וואלעריאן שוה בשוה. ותבשל כמו טיי ותשתה:

בטן. לנפוחת הבטן. סגולה לבשל צפרדע חיה עם קוואטירל שמן, פראוואנס בכלי חרס חדש עד שישאר מן השמן רק התצי והצפרדע תהי' נימוח ויתראה כמו משיחה עבה. ותסוך בזה הבטן. ואם ירד אח"כ הנפוח ברגלים תסוך בזה גם את הרגלים:

ביצים. לכאב ונפוח בביצים או בביצים רפואה לקנות באפטייק, באראווי קראפלים. ותערוב מזה כף אחת בחצי גליאז מים קרים. ותטבול בזה, גאזע ותניח קאמפרעסען קרים על הכיס. ותחבוש כמעל עם, וואמע. ותחליף הקאמפרעסען כאשר הגאזע תתייבש:

בית. הבונה בית חדש צריך שיזכיר בפיו בפירוש שבונה הבית כדי לקיים בו מצות הבנסת אורחים ומצות סוכה (וזה"ק):

בית. יש להקפיד שלא לעשות קורות הבית זוגות (פסחים ק"י):

בית. יש לזוהר להניח כנגד הפתח אמה על אמה שחור בלי צבע. כדין. ועי' יתקיים הבית ונגע לא יקרב בו:

בית. סגולה לעשות חנוכה הבית ע"י סעודת מצוה של מסיבת ת"ח או מסיבת צנינים. ויומרו מומור שיר חנוכה הבית. ויהדשו חידושי בית תורה:

בית. לחינוך הבית סגולה לשחוט תרנגול ותרנגולת בבית החדש וליתן העופות לעניים (ח"ס):

בית. סדר הלימוד לחנוכת הבית כבר סידר הנאון חיד"א וצ"ר ללמוד משניות שהר"ת הוא **בית** כזה. ברכות. יו"ט. תמיד. וגם בזה"ק חלק ג' דף ג' ע"א ד"ה זכאין ישראל. עד ולא תחטא כתיב. וגם במסכת ב"מ דף ק"ז ע"א ד"ה א"ל ר"י לרבנן. עד והסידר ה' ממך כל חולי א"ר זהו העין (תוהרש"ל):

בית. אלו הימים בחודש טובים ליכנום לדור בדירה חדשה. ב' ד' ט' י' י"א ט"ז ט"ז י"ט כ' כ"א כ"ז כ"ט. אבל סימן א' ג' ה' רעים הם. והשאר לא טובים ולא רעים (פרה"א): ובספר זכירה כתב. אלו הימים בחודש טובים ליכנום לדור בדירה חדשה. ו' ט' י"א י"ז י"ט כ"א כ"ז כ"ט:

בית. הנכנס לדור בבית חדש סגולה ליקח צרור מחטים חדשים ויתקע מחטים כמה שירצה בחרכי ספי החלונות והפתחים ויאמר. הריני עושה בזה מעקה של ברזל להשמר מכל רוחות רעות ומכל חליים רעים כמו שכתוב כי תבנה בית חדש ועשית מעקה לגגך ולא תשים דמים בביתך כי יפול הנופל ממנו. כך יאמר בכל חלון ובכל פתח (ת"א):

בית. אוהרה זו מובאת בכמה ספרי קדמונים. מי שרוצה לצאת מבית השני לשוב ולדור בבית הראשון שיצא משם. לא יעשה ככה עד לאחר ז' שנים. ואם הניח איזה דבר בבית הראשון. וזה הדבר עדיין נמצא שם. ואפי' הוא יתר בקיר. י"ט להקל. ואם נחוץ לו הדבר לחזור לדירה הראשונה יעשה סגולה זו שטרם שיחזור לדירה הראשונה יניח בדירה הראשונה כאשר היא ריקנית תרנגול ותרנגולת שיהיו שם בלבדם יום ולילה. ואח"כ יחזור ויקבע דירתו שם והתרנגול עם התרנגולת יהיו עוד שם שבוע אחד. ואח"כ ישחוט העופות ויחלקם לארבעה עניים הגונים. ועי' לא תאונה אליו כל רע (ח"ס):

בית. כתבו המקובלים שבבית חדש שלא עמד שם מעולם בית במקום הזה שם מתגרים המזיקים ביותר להזיק. כי היצר להם המקום וננזל מהם שבילין שהי' להם רשות לעופף בהם. ע"כ כל הקובע דירתו בבית חדש יבקש מסופר שיכתוב לו על קלף כשר קמיעות האלה ויקבע אותן ממעל להפתחים וממער להחלונות:

זה נוסח הקמיע לזאת:

זופ הלא פעב ביב באמ ובה והו
והאפה הבמוג ולה
רדפמיאל

זה נוסח הקמיע לחלון:

ירשת באשר בולִיב
יואאחצצבירון

בנים. סגולה להעמיד תולדות. לומר בכל יום המעמדות (לק"ע):
בנים. סגולה לבנים. שלא יקפח פרנסה לשום אדם. ושלא ידבר
לשון הרע ושקר (סה"מ):
בנים. סגולה לבנים. להיות מן תמני דאורייתא. כמש"כ ותומכיה
מאושר. ומי שאין לו בנים אינו מאושר (לק"ע):
בנים. סגולה לבנים. להשתדל בפדיון שבויים (ו"ז):
בנים. סגולה לבנים. לקיים מצות ציצית כראוי (מדת"ג) ועיין לקמן
מערכת ציצית:
בנים. סגולה לבנים לכתוב לו ספר תורה. ויותר טוב להשתדל בהדפסת
ספרים הנחוצים ומועילים לתלמוד תורה. ורמז לזה מן התורה
שכתוב זה ספר תולדות אדם, היינו שבזכות הספר יזכה לתולדות אדם
(מצ"א) ואם אין ביכולתו לעשות כזה. יקנה ספרים וישאילם לאחרים
ללמוד בהם. וסגולה זו מובאה במדר' פ' אמור:
וועיין עוד לקמן רפואות וסגולות במערכת הריון
בנים. סגולה לבנים טובים להרבות בנרות של שבת ושתתן האשה איזו
פרוטות לצדקה של ארץ ישראל קודם הדלקת הנרות (נמרא) וגם
צדיקה להתפלל על זה בשעת הדלקת הנרות שיהי' לה בנים טובים:
בנים. לפעמים מניעת ההריון היא מחמת שהאשה מתקשמת עצמה
ביותר והיא בעלת נאווה (לקהר"ן):
בנים. סגולה לגידול בנים. שהאב והאם אל יקלדו את הבנים. וגם לא
יקלדו זה את זה (לקהר"ן):

בנים. מי שמתים לו בניו רח"ל. סגולה שאחר שתמהר האשה מאותו ילד הנולד ותטבול טבילה הראשונה ותזדווג עם בעלה. תקח האשה תיכף אחר התשמיש הזרע הנמצא באותו מקום שלה ותטעים ממנו לאותו הילד הנולד. ולא ימותו עוד ילדיהם בקטנותם (מרה"ל) וסגולה הזאת מועילה רק אם לא חטא האב בניאוף והוצאת זרע לבטלה במשך הזמן שאחרי הלידה:

בנים. סגולה לזה שאין בניו מתקיימים רח"ל. שהאב ימכור את הילד או את העובר לאחר בעד כסף. ויקרא בנו של האחר הקונה (דב"מ):

בנים. סגולה לזה שאין בניו מתקיימים רח"ל. להלביש את הילד בבגדי פשתן לבן ונקי שלא יהי מעורב בו אפי' חוט אחד ממין אחר ועי"ז ינצל התינוק מכל רע (חס"ל):

בנים. סגולה לבנים שיחיו ולא ימותו בקטנותן שלא יקרא לו שם ככל לאחר הלידה או ביום הברית מילה. רק שם "אלטער" יקראו לו. או לילדה תקרא "אלטע". וכאשר יגיע יום הבר מצוה או לילדה בימי נעירותיה, אז יקראו בשמותם האמיתיים (ו"ח):

בנים. סגולה שלא ימותו הבנים בקטנותן שיקרא לבנו הנולד בשם, כגון ציון ויחי. (ירושלמי) וגם סגולה טובה לקרוא לבניו הנולדים לו מעתה בב' שמות (עקהד"ט). ועוד סגולה לקרוא לו שם כזה שיסתוים עם השם הקדוש, אל". כגון גבריא אל ישראל מיכאל רפאל שמואל. או שישתתף השם הקדוש, יה" בשמו כגון אליהו ירמיה וכיוצא. או שיקרא את בניו בשם איזו חיה. כגון צבי זאב דוב אריה וכיוצא (זבל"ר):

בנים. מי שמתים ילדיו בקטנותן. סגולה שיכתוב על קרף כשר המזמור קכ"ז מתהלים שיר המעלות בשוב וגו'. ואחר המזמור יכתוב בשיטה אחת כזה סנוי וסנסנוי וסמנגלף ויתלה כתב כזה בארבע רוחות בית דירתו (ש"ת):

אות ג

גב. לכאב הגב. הנקרא "קשיו"וויטאג" רפואה שיטבול החולה פרקן על שק קטן עם חול חם:

גב. לכאב הגב. רפואה לערב ב' חלקים, גארטשיצאווי-שפירט" עם חלק אחד

אחד, קאמפער-שפירט" ולמשוח בזה היטב על הגב :
גב. לכאב הגב. רפואה לסוך את הגב איזה פעמים ביום עם, שפירט" שנכבש בו, מערקישען-פעפער" :

גב. לכאב הגב. רפואה אמבטאות חמות עם ששה לטרות מלח בכל מרחץ. וישב במי הרחצה בערך חצי שעה :

גב. לכאב הגב. רפואה לקנות באפטייק, עקספעלל"י ולסוך על מקום הכאב איזה פעמים ביום. ואחר הסיכה טוב להניח שם, קאמפרעס" חם :

גב. לכאב הגב. רפואה לקנות באפטייק, האלץ-שפירט" גם, טערפאָנטין" ולעריב שזה בשוה ולסוך על מקום הכאב איזה פעמים ביום :

גבורת אנשים. מי שיש לו חולשה שמזריע תיכף. רפואה שירחץ במים קרים את בשרו באמבטי בכל בוקר. מן חמשים עד ששים פעמים :

גבורת אנשים. רפואה לקחת עשב הנקרא בלשון ליטוין, אורתיקא". ובלע"ו, פאָקשיווא" או, קראפיווא". וזה העשב צומח

בכל מקום והנמצא בו נכוה. והוא טוב יותר בתחלת הקיץ כאשר צמח גבוה מן הארץ לא יותר מן רבע אמה. ותוציא העשבים האלה מן האדמה עם השורש. ותרחץ אותם במים מן האבק והעפר. אח"כ תבשלם עם מי גשמים. ותסנן את המים שיהיו צלולים. וישתה איוו פעמים ביום מן המים האלה מעורב עם יין שזה בשוה. ואם אין לך מי גשמים תוכל לבשלם ביין וישתה היין ויתגבר כחו (ת"א) :

גבורת אנשים: רפואה לערוב מעט מור הנקרא, פיוזם" בתוך יי"ש טוב או יין טוב וישתה חם. בערך ג' כוסות קטנים ליום :

גבורת אנשים. סגולה לקחת גיד של שור או של תייש. ותיבש אותו היטב ותכתוש אותו לאבק דק כקמח ותערב מזה האבק מעט בערך משקל שליש לויט בכוס יין טוב וישתה בבקר אליבא ריקנא. וגם בערב ישתה כוס כזה בערך ב' שעות קודם השכיבה (ת"א) :

גבורת אנשים. סגולה לגבורת אנשים לאכול בכל יום תאנים הרבה (ר"ח) :

גבורת אנשים. סגולה לגבורת אנשים גבורת גשמים. שישתה מי גשמים. וביותר טובים הגשמים היוורדים מן פסח

עד עצרת. ובאם האויר חם בין פסח לעצרת ויורדים גשמים. יעמוד במקום מוצנע ערום שירדו הגשמים על גופו. וגם יפתח את פיו שירד הגשם לתוך פיו. וירפא עי'ו מן כמה מיני חולאים ויתחזק כחו (אד"פ):

גבורת אנשים. רפואה לגבורת אנשים שתצלה בצלים ותסחוט מהם המיץ ע"י סמרטוט נקי. והקח מי דבש טוב ותחמם על האש. וכמה שיהי' לך מיץ בצלים תקח כנגדו ב' חלקים מי-דבש ותערב יחד ותשתה חם קודם השכיבה ויתגבר כחך (אמ"ן):

גבורת אנשים. רפואה לגבורת אנשים שתקנה באפטיק העשב הנקרא "אקסין-צינגין" ובלשון ליטיין נקרא "הערבא-אספערו-גינים". ותשרה זה העשב בין ישן וכוב ג' ימים. אח"כ תשתה זה היין ויתגבר כחך (מ"א):

גבורת אנשים. רפואה לגבורת אנשים למשוך את האבר בשמן שפיגנארד. ובלשון ליטיין נקרא "לעוואנדול-עהל" (מ"א):

גנבה. לדעת הגנב. תכתוב שמות כל הנחשרים בחתיכות קטנות קלף כשר. לכל שם פתקא אחרת. ותמלא קערת חרס עם מים שתויקים ותניח הפתקאות על המים. אח"כ תאמר על הקערה ג"פ הקפיטל ט"ז סבתם לדוד. ותכוון בהשם הקדוש קרי היוצא מן אות הראשונה והאחרונה של הפסוק חבלים נפלו לי בנעימים וגו'. אז תרד למטה איתה הפתקא של שם הגנב. ובאם לא נעשה כזאת אחר אמירת ג"פ. תאמר עוד ז"פ. ואם גם אז לא נראה שנוי בשום פתקא תדע שאין ביניהם שם הגנב (ת"א):

גנבה. אם גנבו ממך איזה דבר קח גרון שבבית ותלה אותו מחוץ לבית ולא יניח הגנב עד שיחזור הגנבה. (רו"ח):

גנב. סגולה שלא יהיו הבנים גנבים יזהרו אביו ואמו של התינוק שלא ילך התינוק לעולם בגילוי ראש. (מס' שבת):

גנב. לידע הגנב סגולה ליקח קלף כשר ולכתוב עליו עוף עוף עוף ולתלות הקלף בצואר תרנגול לבן ולהניח את התרנגול בין האנשים שנמצא שנו חשד ומיד יקפוץ התרנגול על ראש הגנב או ירוץ אליו וינשך אותו (מרת"ל):

נעלע זוכת. היא מחלת הירקון. רפואה לטבול ספוג בחלב פרה תיכף אחר החליבה שעדיין החלב חם וירחץ בהחלב כל גופו (ת"א):

געלע זוכט. רפואה לערוב ה' טיפות שמן, לעוואַנדע" עם יין וישתה בבקר אליבא ריקנא. כן יעשה איזה שבועות (מ"א):

געלע זוכט. סגולה לקחת דג חי שנקרא, שלייען" ותבקעהו לשנים ברוחבו מן ראשו עד זנבו ותוציא כל השדרה עם העצמות ותחבוש ב' חצאי הדג עם צדדי החתוך על החזה בצד שמאל כנגד הלב וינחו שם כ"ד שעות. אח"כ תשליך חצאי הדג לאשפה ותקח דג שלייען" אחר ותבקעהו כנ"ל ותחבוש חצאי הדג מתחת החזה על הקיבה ג"כ על כ"ד שעות. אח"כ תשליך הדג לאשפה ותקח עוד דג, שלייען" שלישי ותבקעהו כנ"ל ותחבוש אותם על כפות הרגלים ג"כ על כ"ד שעות. ואח"כ תשליכם לאשפה. ובאם לא נרפא עוד מן ג' ימים האלה תעשה כנ"ל עוד הפעם ג' ימים. ובאם לא נרפא עוד יעשה כן פעם ג' עוד ג' ימים עם ג' דגים כנ"ל. וירפא בעזהש"י. (ת"א):

געלע זוכט. סגולה למנות קדרה חדשה ותשלם כמה שיאמר המוכר בפעם ראשון. והחולה ישתין בקדרה. וגם שעה תשים בתוכה. ותבשל הקדרה על האש. אח"כ יקח החולה את הקדרה וילך עמה מחוץ לעיר ויניחנה בפרשת דרכים וילך לביתו ולא יחזור עצמו להסתכל לאחוריו. (מ"א):

געלע זוכט. סגולה שישתין החולה לכלי נקי ותקח תיכף השתן החם ותלוש עמו קמח סלת ותעשה ג' ענות. וכל זה תעשה בלי ידיעת החולה. תאפה הענות ותתן להחולה לאכול. וירפא. (מ"א):

געלע זוכט. סגולה שיסתכל החולה כמה פעמים לראות תמונת פניו בדוּעֵגִיטש שחור או בחליף של השוחט. (רו"ח):

געלע זוכט. על פי חכמת הרפואה היא מחלת המרה ושוב לקנות באפטייק שלשה מיני עשבים האלה הנקראים בלשון ליטיין, הערבא=חעליראני" וגם, הערבא ציקאריים=ינטיכוס" וגם, הערבא היפא=ריקום=פערפאריאטום". ויבשל כמו טיי. מין עשב הראשון יהי פחות בערך החצי מן כל מין של ב' מיני עשבים האחרים. וישתה מזה איזו פעמים ביום:

געלע זוכט. סגולה לחולי ירקון שקורין געלע זוכט ליקח יונה זכר לזכר ונקיבה לנקיבה ולהושיב היונה על טיבור החולה ותשאב בקרבה מן החולה כל הירקות. היונה תמית והחולה ירפא (דבי"צ):

גרין. לכאב בגרון עם קושי בליעה מחמת שנתקדר. רפואה שיטבול מפה במי מלח קרים אח"כ יסחוט המפה היטב ויחבוש בה את

הגרון. ויחבוש על זה ממעל עם, וואס"י או בנר של צמר. ובכל ג' שעות יטבלו מחדש את המפה במי מלח ולחבוש את הגרון כנ"ל. וכן יעשה כמה פעמים עד שיוקל הכאב. וגם טוב לעשות קאמפרעסען מן שפריט של יין שרף מעורב עם מים קרים. ויצחצח בכל פעם את הגרון עם, קאלעד-וואסער או עם, בור-זויערע-וואסער או שיבשל עשב, סאלוויא או, סאלוואט ויצחצח עם המים את הגרון:

גרון. לכאב הגרון בילד שקורין, צעפעל-געפאלען. רפואה למשוח שומן ארנבת הנקרא, האָזען-שמאלץ על סמרטוט ולהניח על הגרון מאחוריו על הקדקוד. ועי' תבוא ה, צעפעל שהיא לשון הקטן על מקומו הראוי לו:

גרון. מי שבלע עצם ונתחב לו בגרונו. סגולה לזה עיין בסוף הספר בחלק הלחשים:

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דיבור. מי שנתאלם פתאום וניטל ממנו כח הדיבור רח"ל. סגולה להשים בפיו קליפת אתרוג (יל"מ):

דיבור. ילד שניטל ממנו הדיבור ונתאלם מחמת איזה חולי או פחד ובהלה. סגולה שאמו תניח אצבע יד ימינה תוך רחמה באותו מקום עד שתחמם האצבע ואח"כ תניח תיכף אותו האצבע לתוך פי הילד וידבר (רי"ח):

דבורים. לנשיכת דבורים. ראשית תמשוך הארס מן הבשר אח"כ תתפוס דבורה זו או אחרת ותמעך ותמשוח על המקום הנשוק וירפא הנפוח. וכן הוא בנשיכת זבובים ארסיים:

דדים. לכאב והתקשות דדי אשה. רפואה למשוח אותן עם שמן הנקרא, רצין-עהל ולחבוש אותן עם, וואס"י או עם, חלאדנעס חמות של זרע פשתן הנקרא, ליאנע-שעמין:

דדים. לכאב והתקשות דדי אשה, רפואה לבשל, קארטאפלעס ולמעך אותם היטב היטב. ואח"כ למגן אותם עם שומן חזיר הרבה ולעשות מזה, חלאדנעס חמות ולהניח על הדד. ועל החלאדנע צריך לחבוש עם דבר חם:

דדים. לכאב והתקשות דדי אשה. רפואה לקחת קמח שעורים מנופה וללוש

וללוש במי ורדים שנקרא באפטיק, ריווען-וואסער". וגם צריך לערב חלמון ביצה ומעט, צוקער" ולערוב הכל היטב שיהי' רך כמו משיחה. ולעשות מזה תחבושת על הדר הכואב (מרה"ל):

רדים. אם הדר נתקשה מאד ונתנפחה ויש בה מוגלא שנחוצ' מאד לפתוח אותה. אם אין רופא שיפתחנה ע"י איזמל. עיין לקמן סימן מכה ותמצא שם משיחה לפתוח את המכה:

רדים. לכאב והתקשות בדדי אשה. רפואה לבשל ביצים על קשה ותקלפם ותכתוש אותם היטב במכתשת ותערב בזה דבש דבורים צלול עם שמן הנקרא באפטיק, באלזאם-פערזוויאמי" ותמעה הכל ביחד היטב עד שתעשה כמו משיחה. ותמשח בזה את הדר הכואב ותחבוש עם, וואטי" (מ"א):

רדים. לכאב והתקשות בדדי אשה. רפואה שתבשל בחלב זרע פשתן הנקרא, ליאני-שעמין" עם זרע הנקרא באפטיק בלשון ליטיין, פאיעניקולי" בתוך חלב ותניח מזה, חלאדנעם" חמות על הדר הכואב:

רדים. לכאב והתקשות בדדי אשה. סגולה שתקח צואת יונים יבשה ושיהי' להצואה מראה לבן. תכתוש הצואה ותבשל עם שמן של זרע פשתן הנקרא, ליאני-עהל" עד שיהי' מעובה כמו משיחה ותמשח על וואטי ותניח חם על הדר הכואב (ת"א):

רדים. לכאב והתקשות בדדי אשה. רפואה טובה לעשות בהתחלת הכאב שתקנה באפטיק הזרע הנקרא בלשון ליטיין, פאיעניקולי" ותבשל עם סלת בחלב עד שיהיה מעובה ותשים בכים של פשתן ותניח מזה, חלאדנעם" חמות על הדר הכואב ותחבוש ממעל עם, וואטי" ויעבור הכאב:

דם. לעצור דם חוטם. רפואה שישים את רגליו עד ממעל לקרסוליו במים קרים. או שישים את הכים עם הבצים שלו בכלי מלא חומץ. ואשה תשים רדיה במים קרים. או שיטבלו ספוג או, וואטי" במים קרים ויניחו על הגומא שאחורי הראש:

דם. לעצור דם חוטם. סגולה לכתוב מן הדם על המצח מאיש בירוניקיש ולאשה בירוניקשה ויעצר. עוד סגולה לכתוב שמו על מצחו בכתיבה מרובעת (מ"א) או לכתוב מן הדם על מצחו תיבת אָסָף (רו"ת) או תיבת זמן (ת"א):

דם. מי שיש לו טבע של נזילת דם מן החוטם. סגולה שירגיל עצמו להריח הדמים (ח"צ):

דם. מי שרוקק דם או משתין דם. רפואה שישתה בכל יום חלב שקדים (מ"א):

דם. מי שמשתיין דם סגולה שתקח קליפות ביצים שנולדו בו ביום מתרנגולת. ותכתש אותם היטב הדק לאבק בקמח. ותשתה זה האבק מעורב בחיך חלב שקדים איזה ימים ג"פ ביום וירפא. ואם אין לו חלב שקדים יכול לשתות מעורב בחלב או במים (הנ"פ):

דם. לדם היוצא מן הגרון שבא מן הריאה נחוץ לקרוא רופא מומחה. וטרם שיבא הרופא ישכיבו את החולה במטה פרקדן ולא ידבר כלל. ויניחו על החזה, קאמפרעסען קרים. ויתנו לו לבלוע חתיכות קטנות קרח. ויתנו לו לשתות בכל פעם כף מי מלח וגם, לימאנאדע קרה. וכאשר רק יוטב לו יסע תיכף למקום אור צח ביער של, סאסנאווי עצים:

דם. לנזילת דם מן הריאה. רפואה שירגיל עצמו לשתות בכל יום חלב עם חמאה. ויותר טוב שישתה חלב עז חם מן החליבה. ובחורף ישתה שומן דגים טוב הנקרא, פיש-טראהן. וגם רפואה שירגיל עצמו לאכול התבשיל שעושין מן רגלי בהמות. ויותר טוב מן רגלי עגלים. וגם רפואה שירגיל עצמו לאכול הרבה ענבים טובים. ועיין עוד לקמן בסימן ריאה:

דם. מי שעלול לנזילת דם מן הריאה יקנה באפטיק מין עץ שנקרא בלשון ליטיין, וויסקום-אלבום ויבשל בחלב וישתה בכל יום כמה שירצה:

דם. לעצור דם מילה. רפואה לקנות באפטיק, אייוזן-טראפּען. ויאמר באפטיק שנצרך לו לעצור דם. ויקח, גאזע ויעשה, באנדאזעל ויטבול בהטראפּען הנ"ל ויכרוך על המילה ויפסוק הדם:

דם. לעצור דם מילה. סגולה שיקח גחלי עץ שרופים היטב ויכתשם במכתשת נקי וינפה אותן ע"י נפה. באופן שיהי' האבק דק כקמח וישים האבק על המילה וישקוט הדם מלצאת:

דם. לעצור דם מילה וכל דם פצע. רפואה שתקח, קופער-וואסער ותשרף אותו עד שיהי' נעשה אדום. ותדוק אותו לאבק דק ותשים על המילה או על מקום הפצע. ויעמיד הדם במקומו:

דם. לעצור דם נדה. רפואה שתשתה איזה ימים בבקר אליבא ריקנא לובן ביצה חיה מעורב עם קאניאק או עם יין שרף (ת"א):

דם. לעצור דם נדה. רפואה שתקח עפצים הנקראים, גאלישען ויהיו שלימים בלי נקבים. ותכתוש אותם לאבק דק כקמח ותשים האבק תוך תפוח יפה ותצלה התפוח ע"ג גהלים ותאכלנו עם האבק. כן תעשה איזה פעמים ותרפא (יל"מ):

דם. לעצור דם נדה. רפואה שתשרה מלא כף עשב, ראומארין בגליאז
יין שרף טוב. ותשתה מזה ג' כוסות קמנים ליום (מ"א):

דם. לעצור דם נדה. רפואה שתקנה באפטיק השורש הנקרא בלשון
ליטיין, ראדיקס=ארטעמיוא וגם מה שנקרא באפטיק, וויכקום=
אלבום ותבשל שניהם יחד במים ותשתה כמו ששותין טיי עם צוקער:
דם. לעצור דם נדה. סגולה שתקח ג', קרעלין אדומים וטובים ותכתשם
היטב לאבק דק בקמח. ותערוב עם יין אדום. ותשתה בבקר אליבא
ריקנא. וכן תעשה איזה ימים ותרפא (ת"א):

דם. אשה שאינה יכולה להטהר לבעלה. סגולה שתתלה עליה עצם
חזיר ותרפא (מרה"ל):

דם. לעצור דם נדה. סגולה גדולה ליקח צפרדע מן הנהר. וטוב יותר
שתהי' נקבה. ותשרף הצפרדע לאפר בקדרה חדשה. ותתלה האפר
על הצואר בכיס של פשתן חדש. ומעשה השרפה יהי' דוקא ביום ה'.
וטוב שיהי' נתלה על צואר האשה הנדה ע"י אשה אחרת שהיא בריאה
ויש לה וסת כראוי. וזאת הסגולה מועלת ג"כ לאנשים שיוצא מהם דם.
רק לאנשים מועיל יותר שתהי' הצפרדע מין זכר (ת"א):

דרך. היוצא לדרך. סגולה שיתן קודם צאתו לדרך איזו פרוטות לצדקה.
שנאמר צדק לפניו יהלך וישם לדרך פעמיו (ס"ח):

דרך. כשרוצה לעלות על העגלה. סגולה שכאשר יעמיד חד כרעא אארעא
וחד אעגלה יאמר פסוק המתחיל עם את של התהלת שמו ומסיום
עם אות של סיום שמו. כמו למשל אם שמו יהודה יאמר הפסוק, ה'
צבאות עמנו משגב לנו אלהי יעקב סלה" (מ"א):

דרך. החולך לדרך רחוק. סגולה שיאמר אחר תפלת הדרך, הרני מקבל
עלי כשאגיע למקום פלוני בשלום לומר שם תיכף נשמת כל חי
עד האל בתעצומות. וכאשר יגיע למחוז הפצו יקיים תיכף את נדרו
(וכירה) או שיאמר כן קודם צאתו מפתח ביתו כאשר יניח את ידו על
המזוזה לנשק אותה:

דרך. בשבוע שרוצה לצאת לדרך. סגולה שיאמר במוצש"ק אחר
ההכדלה הפרשה של וישלח עד מאה קשימה. ויצליח דרכו
(רמב"ן):

דרך. היוצא לדרך. סגולה שילווה אותו איזה איש. ואחרי שיפריד ממנו
יאמר אחריו המלווה ברכת כהנים (אגר"פ עה"ק):

דרך. לשמירה בדרך. סגולה שיקח עמו לדרך החושענא שלו

מן הושענא רבה. וישא אותה אצלו בכל הדרך (זכירה):
דרך. לשמירה בדרך. סגולה שיקח עמו לדרך כזית מן האפיקומן של
מצה שמורה שלו שנשאר מן ליל פסח. וישא אצלו בכל
הדרך (זכירה):

דרך. היוצא לדרך ופגע בצאתו שנושאים לנגדו כלי ריקן. או אם נכשל
באיזה דבר ונפל כאשר יצא מביתו. יחזור לביתו ולא ילך לדרך
ביום הזה כי לא יצליח (זכירה):

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הבדלה. סגולה שבכל מוצאי ש"ק אחר הבדלה יטעום מעט מן הכוס
ואח"כ יסתכל היטב בכוס של הבדלה עד שיראה פניו ומצחו
ויאמר בלחש ג"פ הפסוק, כי ראיתי אלהים פנים אל פנים והנצל נפשי.
ועיני ינצל מפגעים רעים בכל השבוע. ואם ההבדלה היא של שעה ירית
בעשן ההבדלה אחרי הכביה (זכירה):

הבדלה. סגולה להנצל מכל אסן ופגע רע וכחות הטומאה לומר בלחש
בהבדלה בשעת הסתכלות בצפורניים, וראית את אחורי ופני
לא יראו. ויכוון בהשם הקדוש אגף סגף נגף. ונס יכוון שהשליש תיבות
פני לא יראו הן האותיות של ב' מלאכים הקדושים פניאל אוריאל
(מכוונת האריות'ל):

הצלחה. סגולה אמיתית להצלחה ועושר להפריש מעשר מן הרווחים.
ויתן להחזיק בזה לומדי תורה. ועל זה דרשו חז"ל עשר בשביל
שתתעשר. וגם על זה כתוב ותומכיה מאושר (מד"ר):

הצלחה. סגולה להצליח לפני שר ומושל תאמר טו"ב פעמים שם אמר
של אברהם אבינו ע"ה שהוא אמת לאי בת כרנבו קודם
שתעמוד לפניו. ואח"כ תאמר הפסוק, מגדול עוז שם ה' בו
ירוך צדיק ונשגב. ותכוון ב"ן ירו"ן בגי' שדי. ר"ת שומר דרכי
י"י (עה"ק):

הצלחה. היוצא לדרך או להתיצב לפני שר לבקש בקשה אם יפגע
בצאתו מביתו שנושאים לנגדו כלי ריקם יחזור לביתו ולא
ילך באותו היום כי לא יצליח (זכירה):

הצלחה. סגולה להצלחה. דע שכמעט אין לך אדם שלא ימצא
לפעמים

לפעמים מטבע או איזו מטבעית מונחות על הארץ. ויותר שלא להוציא אותן המטבעות אלא יחזיגן תמיד אצלו בכיס קטן מיוחד לזה (בקבריה):

הצלחה. להצלחה בפרנסה סגולה להזכיר בכל מוצאי שבת קודש שבעים פעמים אליהו הנביא ולכוון בהשם הקדוש **אנלא**. כך מובא בכמה ספרים קדושים. ועפ"י יסוד זה הדפסתי בספרי, אליהו הנביא את הזמר של אליהו הנביא באופן שהאומרו כן מזכיר ע' פעמים אליהו:

הצלחה. להצליח במשפט סגולה שיאמר בשעה שמעיינים בדינו הפסוקים של ויברך דוד עד ומרום על כל ברכה ותהלה (נמרא):

הצלחה. להצליח במשפט סגולה שיאחו ביד ימינו מזוה קמנה כשרה (בקבלה):

הצלחה. להצליח במשפט סגולה שתחזיק מרגלית טובה תחת הלשון ולא תפסיד במשפט (ת"א):

הצלחה. להצליח בעסק מסחר תהי' נזהר בכל עניני העסקים אשר אתה רוצה לעשות שתאמר מקודם כאשר אתה מדבר מזה הענין, אם ירצה השם (זכירה):

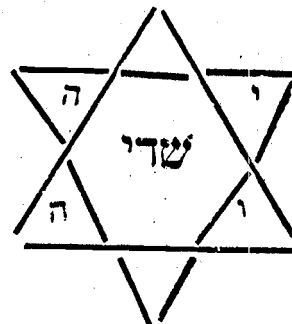
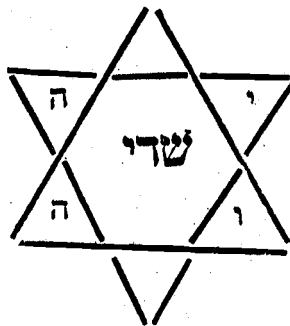
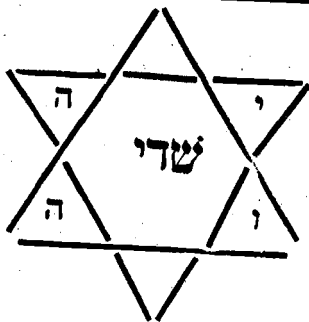
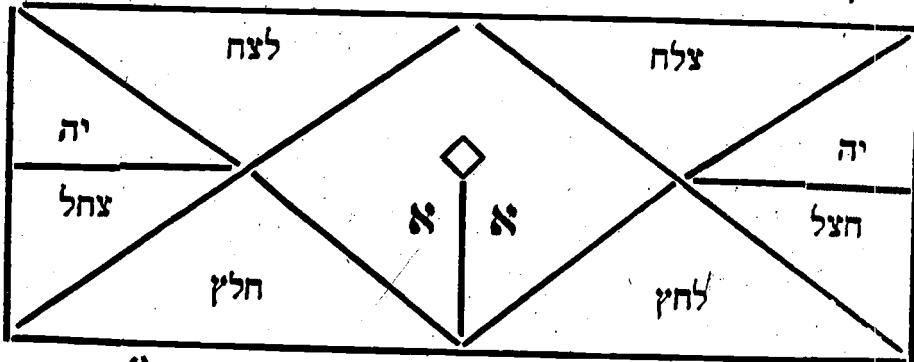
הצלחה. סגולה להצלחה לקנות המצוה של ששה נרות בביהכנ"ס או בביהמ"ד. ויתן בכל ערב שבת ששה נרות שידליקו בתוך העמוד אשר לפני הש"ץ. ועי' תרום קרנו בכבוד (מדרש):

הצלחה. סגולה להצלחה בלכתו למלאכתו או בלכתו לעשות מסחר וקנין. קודם שיוצא מביתו יתן ידו על המזוזה ויאמר פסוקים האלה בכונה, בראשית ברא אלהים את השמים ואת הארץ. ולכל היר החוקה ולכל המורא הגדול אשר עשה משה לעיני כל ישראל. ויעקב הלך לדרכו ויפגעו בו מלאכי אלהים. ויאמר יעקב כאשר רא'ם ויכוון שהוא ר'ת **רפאל אוריאל מיכאל** מחנה אלהים זה ויקרא שם המקום ההוא מחנים. האוינו השמים ואדרכה ותשמע הארץ אמרי פי. יערף כמטר לקחי תול כטל אמרתי. כשעירים עלי דשא וכרביבים עלי עשב. יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי אבותי בזכות השמות הקדושים היוצאים מאלו הפסוקים שבהם הוכיח משה לישראל במדבר. שימתיקו דברי בעיני כל שומעי. ואצליח בכל דרכי ועניני ועסקי. ותתנני לחן ולחסד ולרחמים בעיני כל רואי. אמן סלה נצח ועד (ימ"נ):

הצלחה. צריך ליותר שלא ישאל איש כיסו וארנקו לחברו. כי בזה

בזה הוא מוכר או נותן מולו ח"ו. (כבא מציעא כ"ו):
הצלחה. להצלחה בכל מיני עסק ומסחר שרוצה האדם לעשות. **סגולה**
 שיאמר ג"פ המזמור לה' הארץ ומלואה. ואחר כל פעם יאמר
 תפלה זו יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי אבותי שהשם הקדוש מן
 מן. יצליחני בעסק (פלגני ופלוגני) שאני הולך לעשות ותנחני באורח
 מישור ובדרך צלחה למען שמך הגדול והקדוש אלהי השמים ואלהי
 הארץ אמן סלה נצח ועד. (מדת"ל) ווצריך לפרש העסק והענין באר היטב):
הצלחה. קמיע להצלחה מספר ריזאל המלאך. וז"ל קמיע להרוות אדם
 במשא ומתן והצלחה גדולה בעוה"שית כתוב זה בקלף כשר
 ותלהו בצדך השמאלית. וזהו הנוסח (מונה).

והדרך צלח רכב על דבר אמת ועונה צדק ותורך נוראות ימינך



סגמכר טגף כרף זג מכך יתם סזכסן טמי נמסכר כסכיסם קתקכר
 יהי רצון מלפניך יהוה אלהי ישראל שתציה למלאכך אלו לבוא
 אל בית פב"פ וללכת עמו ויצליחו אותו בסחורתו ובכל מעשה
 ידיו בהצלחה ובהרוחה גדולה בין ביום בין בלילה בין בבית
 בין בחוץ לבית בין בעיר בין בחוץ לעיר ושמן וחותמך הקדוש
 ירחיבו במעשיו ובביתו והצליחו לפב"ב אמן סלה:

הרהורים. להנצל מהרהורים רעים ומחשבות זרות בשעת התפלה.
סגולה להתפלל מתוך הסידור. זכר לדבר שכתוב, אמר עם

הספר ישוב מחשבתו הרעה כן מובא בהרבה פ"ק:

הרהורים. להנצל ממחשבות זרות בשעת התפלה. יש מן המקובלים

שכתבו סגולה לומר קודם התפלה הפסוק, אש תמיד תוקד
על המזבח לא תכבה". ויש כתבו לומר הפסוק הביאה לי ציד ועשה לי
מטעמים וגו'. ויש כתבו לומר הפסוק לב מהור ברא לי אלהים וגו'.

הרהורים. להנצל מהרהורים רעים. סגולה שיצייר במחשבתו דמות

דיוקנו של אביו ועי' יצטנן יצרו הרע (מד"ר):

הרהורים. החגורה של צדיק אמת מבטלת הרהורים רעים מן החגור

בה (לקה"ק):

הרהורים. סגולה לבטל הרהורים ומחשבות זרות בשעת התפלה שיטול

עשר אצבעות ידיו במים תיכף כשרואה שבאה לו מחשבה

זרה. ויכוון שכך אדם הוא קומה שלמה והעשר אצבעות של ידיו הן

כנגד העשר ספירות. ועי' המים המטהרים מכל טומאה וטהרו כל העשר

ספירות שלו מן מחשבות זרות הבאות מן כח הטומאה כדי לבטל את

האדם מתפלתו. דבר זה קבלתי מאת אדמו"ר אריה דבי עילאי בוצינא

דנהורא וכו' מרן מהר"ל איגור וצוקלה"ה מלובלין:

הריון. להריון רפואה שתקח באפסטיק עשב הנקרא בלשון ליטוין

„סאלוויא“ ותבשל מעט מן העשב ביין טוב ותתן להאשה לשתות

מן היין כליל הטבילה ותתעבר (מ"ט):

הריון. סגולה להריון קח עור ארנבת ושרוף אותו עד לאפר ותן לה

לשתות מן האפר בכוס יין. כך תעשה ט' ימים רציפים בכל בוקר

ותתעבר מיד (מרה"ל) ויש גורסין עור שועל:

הריון. סגולה לעקרה שתעשה משעוה כמו קדרה קטנה ותכניס בה דם

נדתה ותסתים פי הקדרה במכסה ותטמון הקדרה באדמה אצל

שורשי אילן תפוח. ועי' תקבל האשה הריון והאילן לא יעשה עוד

פירות (נפ"מ)

הריון. להריון תזהר האשה מלשאת עלי' כסף חי אפילו כל שהוא. כי

זה מונע ההריון (ת"א):

הריון. סגולה להריון אם אין שום מחלה להאיש ולהאשה. תקח יונה

זכר ויונה נקבה ותשחטם ותוציא המוח שלהם תיכף. ותשב

האשה אחר הטבילה במטה ותכניס ברחמה את המוח מן השני צפרים על

שעה

שעה שלימה. ואחר שעה תזדווג עם בעלה ותתעבר (מרה"ל):
 הריון. קמיע ברורה ובלתי משובשת להריון. יכתוב סופר מהור נברא
 על קלף כשר בנתיבה תמה. ויאמר מקודם. הריוני כותב קמיע
 הזאת בשעתא מבתא בגדא סבא לאסוותא מן שמיא עבוד האשה פב"ב
 אשת פב"ב.

זה נוסח הקמיע:

יהי רצון מלפניך אהיה אשר אהיה שתרחם על האשה פב"ב
 ותתן לה בקרוב הריון מבעלה פב"ב בזרע של קיימא בכח
 הדימות הקדושים האלה ע"י המלאך שמיאל
 ואאהבבא באזובא ואאלא פוואה ובה והוחהה
 אכהלייה יצהבואהות
 אמן סלה נצח ועד
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הקמיע צריכה להכתב בציור הזה ולשום אותה בתיק קטון של מתכות.
 והתיק ישים בכיס של עור ותתלה האשה עליה את הקמיע בין רדיה.
 ותלך בה רק בימים המדורים (ת"א):

הריון. סגולה להריון. שהבעל והאשה לא יזרקו ההושענות שלדם ביום
 הושענא רבא אלא יצניעם ויצטרפו לדם גם הב' ערבות מן
 הלולב שהיו מברכין עמו. ולפני תשמיש הראשון שאחר יום הושענא
 רבא יבשלו השני הושענות עם השני ערבות בתוך חצי קווארט מים.
 אח"כ ימזגו המים לשני כוסות. ויקח הבעל כוס אחד והאשה כוס אחד
 ויאמרו על הכוסות ההושענא המתחלת, "אדם ובהמה" ואח"כ ישתו הכוסות
 עם צוקער כמו ששותין מיי. וישמשו ממתם ויושעו ממרומים (אמ"ן)
 וערב"ה בנימ' זר"ע וגם בנימ' הריון עם הכוללים של האותיות
 והתיבה:

ווארצלן. לשומא או יבלת שקורין „ווארצעל“ הצומח על בשר אדם.
רפואה למשח הווארצעל ב' פעמים ביום עם המשקה של
מררת בהמה (מ"א):

ווארצלן. להסיר הווארצעל. רפואה למשחו ב'פ ביום עם חומץ החזק
והחרוף מאד כיאר הנקרא „עמענציע-עססיג“:

ווארצלן. להסיר הווארצעל שהיא קשה ומבוקעת. תקנה באפטיק
קראפליס הנקראין „קרוואט“. ותשים בכל יום על הווארציל
טפה אחת:

ווארצלן. להסיר ווארצלן. סגולה למשוח אותם בדם יונה חם תיכף
מן השחיטה (מ"א):

וסת. אשה שאבדה וסתה בנעוריה. אלה הם הבשמים אשר יכולים
לעורר דם נדה. תבשל קדרה בת ד' קווארט מים ותשים בה ג'
לויט קנה-בשם הנקרא „צומרינד“ א' לויט בושם „גענעלעך“, חצי לויט
כרכום הנקרא „זאפערען“ ותשתה חם עם צוקער כמו ששותין מיי (מ"א):
וסת. אשה שאין לה וסת בנעוריה. רפואה שתבשל עשב הנקרא בלשון
ליטיין „טאבינא“ עם מים ותשתה כמו ששותין מיי (מ"א):

וסת. להביא וסת לאשה שאין לה אורח כנשים. תכתוש קליפות שקדים
ובישים לאבק דק כקמח ותליש האבק עם דבש ועם שומשמן עד
שיהי' כמו עיסה. ותחתוק לחתיכות ותטנגם על האש. ותאכל מזה איזה
פעמים ביום חודש ימים. ויבוא לה הוסת (ימ"ג):
וסת. להביא הוסת מועיל הרבה שתעשה לה מרחצאות של חמין ולערוב
בהמים „גארטשיצא“:

אות ז

זיוג. מי שקשה לו למצוא בת זוגו יתפלל בכל יום בכוונה שירת הים
ויאמר אחר התפלה מזמורי תהלים האלה ל"ב ל"ח ע' ע"א
קכ"ד (נפ"מ):

זיעה. להביא זיעה על החולה. רפואה לבשל היטב שכולת שועל
הנקרא „האָבער“ או שעורים בחומץ. ואחר שתתרכך התבואה
היטב תעשה מזה חלאדנעס חמות ותניח על בטן החולה וזיוע (מ"א):
זיעה. לאנשים בריאים שיש להם מבע שמויעים מאד ברילה ועיזו
מאכרים

מאכרים את כחם ונעשים רזים. רפואה שיסוך את בשרו הרבוב פעמים עם שמן דגים טוב ויערוב בו לריח טוב מעט, נעלקין=עהל". דהיינו שבתוך חצי קווארטירל שמן דגים יערוב ט"ו טפות, נעלקין=עהל". אבל נצרך לחמם מעט את השמן דגים, כדי שיתערב היטב עם ה,נעלקין=עהל":

זיעה. להביא זיעה יקנה באפטיק, בעזאוו=טיי" עם, ליפאוו=טיי" ועם, מאלינעס" יבשות. כל מין בעד ג' קאפ'. ויבשל א קווארט מים ובשעת הבשול ישים בהמים ג' מינים הנ"ל. ויקח הקדרה מן האש ויכסה הקדרה ואחר חצי שעה ישתה מזה ד' גלעזער חם עם צוקער ועם, ציטרין" כשהוא שוכב במטתו. ויזיע:

זכרון. סגולה לזכרון לומר תמיד קודם הלימוד עשרה פעמים הפסוק, זכור דבר לעבדך על אשר יחלתני" (מ"א):

זכרון. סגולה לזכרון לומר קודם הסעודה על כוס משקה פסוקים האלה – אכן רוח הוא באנוש ונשמת שדי תבנים: לאדם מערכי לב ומה' מענה לשון: אל תשליכני מלפניך ורוח קדשך אל תקח ממנו: ה' בצר פקדוך צקון לחש מוסרך למו: לב טהור ברא לי אלהים ורוח נכון חרש בקרבי: ה' אלהים נתן לי לשון למודים לדעת לעות את יעף דבר: יעיר לי בבקר בבקר יעיר לי און לשמוע בלימודים: ה' אלהים פתח לי אוון ואנכי לא מריתי אחור לא נסגותי: רוח ה' דבר בי ומלתו על לשוני: יהי רצון מלפניך א' או"א אברהם יצחק ויעקב אשר קראת שמו ישראל שתפתח לבי בתורתך ותאיר עיני ולבי ע"י מלאכך הקדושים **פתחאל רפאל יופיאל** שלא אשכח כל ימי חיי מכל מה שלמדתי ולעולם לא אשכח כל דבר תורה מכל מה שאלמוד מעתה ועד עולם אמן נצח סלה ועד – אח"כ ישתה הכוס: (מספר רזיאל) וטוב לעשות כך בכל סעודת ראש חודש:

זכרון. סגולה לזכרון להתפלל קודם הלימוד בקדושה ובטהרה תפלה זו. יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי אבותי שתעשה למען השמות הקדושים היוצאים מן הפסוק וזכרתי את בריתי יעקוב ואף את בריתי יצחק ואף את בריתי אברהם אזכור והארץ אזכר. שצירופו הוא כך

יית זרי כבא רתב תאר
יפה אאם תוא בקו רחב
יצר תיו ייה יתא עיר
קרץ ובא בתו ואכ אפר

ויכוין בשמות האלה ואל יוציאם בפיו שלא אשכח כל דבר מכל מה שאלמוד בתורתך הקדושה היום ובכל יום ויום ותהיה תורתך שמורה בלבי ובמוחי לנצח. אמן סלה (א"ח):

זכרון. לחדר הזכרון. סגולה לאכל בכל יום בבקר אליבא ריקנא כף קטנה דבש דבורים. וזה ג"כ טעם שאנו אוכלים ביום הזכרון דבש. כדי שתעלה זכרוננו לטובה על כל השנה:

זכרון. סגולה לזכרון. לאכול שמן זית טוב וביותר מארץ ישראל:
זכרון. לחדר הזכרון רפואה לקנות באפמייק, אנא-קארדינא ולאוכל ממנו בבקר אליבא ריקנא דראכמא אחד. ויכול לאכול כן ג' ימים בכל שבוע. והג' ימים לא יהיו רצופים. וישתמש ברפואה זו איזו שבועות (מ"א):

זכרון. סגולה לזכרון לומר בכל יום ז"פ הפסוק, נר לרגלי דבריך ואור לנתיבותי (ש"א):

אות ח

חוליה. דרש ר' פנחס בר חמא כל שיש לו חולה בתוך ביתו ילך אצל חכם שבעירו ויבקש עליו רחמים. שנאמר חמת מלך מלאכי מות ואיש חכם יכפרנה. (גמרא):

חוליה. יתחזק החוליה בכל כחו להתפלל על עצמו בדמעות. וירגיל בכל עת לומר בכוונה, ראה עניי ועמלי ושא לכל חטאתי. רפאני ה' וארפא הושיעני ואושעה כי תהלתי אתה". ויכוון בהשם הקדוש היוצא מן הר"ת של רפאני ה' וארפא שהוא ריון המועיל לרפואה. ויתפלל בכל יום ג"פ מזמור מ"א מתהלים. שנאמר כי שמע אלהים אל קול הנער כאשר הוא שם. ויש לפרש כלומר שהשכינה שם למעלה מראשותיו של החולה:

חוליה. יזכור מה דאיתא במסכ' ברכות (נ"ה) יומא קמא לא לגלי ולא לימא מידי כי היכא דלא ליתרע מזליה. מכאן ואילך ליגלי כי היכי דליבעי רחמא עליה:

חוליה. מי שיש לו ילד קטן חולה מאד ח"ו. סגולה טובה שיקבלו עליהם אביו ואמו שיתענו בכל שנה ביום שנולד הילד עד שהיה לחילד

להילד י"ג שנים. ובאם שיהי' להם איזה אונם שלא יוכלו להתענות יתן כל אחד אגרא דתעניתא ח"י גדולים לעניים. וגם יקבלו עליהם להדליק בכל ערב ר"ח בביהכנ"ס נר לכבוד נשמת ר' מאיר בעד הנס. ג"כ עד שיהי' להילד י"ג שנים. והילד בעצמו יביא הנר לבית הכנסת (זכירה):

חולצה. סגולה לחולצה מסוכן רח"ל לעשות עבורו פדיון נפש הידוע:
חולצה. סגולה לחולח מסוכן רח"ל שינוי השם. אבל שיעשה זאת עפ"י דעת חכם וצדיק:

חולצה. אמירת תהלים עבור חולצה כמו שנדפס באידורים היא סגולה גדולה שיאמרו התהלים עשרה אנשים ביחד שהם אוהבים להחולצה. ואם אין עשרה אנשים צריך להשתדל שתינוקות של בית רבן יאמרו התהלים עבור החולצה:

חלומות. חלום טוב צריך לספר לאוהב נאמן שיפתרנו לטוב. כי רוב חלומות הולכים אחר הפה. חלום רע יסיח מדעתו ואל יחשוב בו כלל וכלל. ויאמר בהקיצו משנתו הפסוק, והחלומות שוא ידברו. וזה הכלל בדוק ומנוסה שכל מה שהאיש יקפיד על חלומות רעים יותר יתגרו בו. וידוע שכן אמר בפירוש הגאון הצדיק וכו' מרן מהר"ם מליבאוויץ וצוקלה"ה על דבר החלומות / שאמרו חז"ל שצריך להתענות עליהם אפי' בשבת. ואמר שכל זה הי' רק בדורות הראשונים שחלומותיהם היו קרובים לנבואה. אבל בזמן הזה החלומות שוא ידברו. עכ"ל. וכל אשר יש לו ידיעה בחכמת ה"אנאטאמיה" יבין שעפ"י רוב באים חלומות רעים מן כח הדמיון שמתחזק להפחיד את האדם כדי לעוררו משנתו בעבור איזו חסרון בגוף, כגון שמנית ידו על לבו וכיוצא:

חלום. מי שחלם לו חלום רע שצריך להתענות ע"יו. והוא מן האנשים המקפידים על חלומות רעים אבל קשה עליו התענית. יעשה ראשית הטבת חלום. וגם יעשה תרגול או תרגולת לכפרה בדרך שעושין בערב יוהכ"פ. ומלבד זה יתן ק"ס מטבעות לחכם היודע לעשות פדיון נפש. וגם הכפרה יהלק לעניים. ויוצא בזה שיתהפך לטוב (עה"ח):

חלום. לשאלת חלום. יאמר בטהרה בחדר טהור ועל משכב טהור ונקי קודם השכיבה - לך ה' הגדולה והגבורה והתפארת וגו' עד ולחוק לכל. גבריאלי ופחד יצחק היה לי. יהי רצון מדפניך ה' או"א שתשלח לי רוחו של יצחק גדי בן אברהם להגיד שאלתי בחלום ברור ברילה

בבילה הזה שאני רוצה לדעת - (כאן יפרוט שאלתו באר היטב
(כתבי הריב"ש):

חלום. לשאלת חלום. תקח בדעתך השאלה שאתה רוצה לשאול ותאמר
ע"ב פעמים בכונה גדולה זה הפסוק - שמעו נא דברי אם
יהיה נביאכם ה' במראה אליו אתודע בחלום אדבר בו - (ת"א):
חן וחסד. סגולה לחן וחסד. לומר אחר תפלת שחרית ד' פסוקים
הראשונים מן האזינו השמים ואדברה עד הבו גודל
לאלהינו (ע"ה"ק):

חן וחסד. לחן לפני השלטון או לפני מי שתרצה לבקש מלפניו עבורך
סגולה שתשים מקודם יד ימינך על מצחך. באופן שצד גב
הכף יהי לצד המצח. האגודל למטה והזרת למעלה. ותאמר ג"פ הפסוק
השיבה לי ששון ישעך ורוח נדיבה תסמכני (מדת"ל):
חן. לחן לפני השלטון. סגולה לומר לפני השלטון ג' פעמים שם אמו של
אברהם אבינו **אמתלאי בת כרנבו** (פי"צ):

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טבילה. הגאון בעל ספר חסידים כתב שם בהצוואות סי' מ"א וז"ל
לא יניח אדם מלזקק עם אשתו כליל טבילתה. ע"כ. ומובא
על זה בספר רוח חיים שבאם אירע איזה אונס כליל טבילה שלא יוכל
בעלה לקרב אליה. תעשה סגולה זו שתתכסה באותה לילה עם בגד של
בעלה ותנצל ע"ז מסכנה:

טבילה. טבילה במקוה היא סגולה לכמה וכמה ענינים, כי היא ענין
התחדשות כח החיים. רק באופן שלא יהיה כטובל ושרץ בידו:

טבילה. מובא בכתבי האר"ז. מי שאין לו מקוה או חנוס ואינו יכול
למבול במקוה סגולה שירחץ ידיו מ' רחילות כנוצר הלל. וקודם
הרחילה יאמר זה:

לשם יחוד קוב"ה ושכינתיה. ארחץ בנקיון כפי ואסובבה את מזבחך
יהוה. ויהי רצון מלפניך יהוה אלהי ואלהי אבותי שאלו רחיצות
ידי תהיינה נחשבות לי כאלו טבלתי במקוה כשר של ארבעים סאה.
ואזכה למשוך מים מ' הלבון העליון החתום ביו"ד רבתי של ועתה יגדל נא
בח יהוה. וידחו ו צ : עזה ועזאל בני אנרת ולילית. ובכח סגולת נקיון
שע"י הרחיצה הזאת יתקן שמדת הדין הבאה מן ספירת גבורה העולה

ריו כמספר נקיון תתהפך עלי למדת הרחמים שעולה רחץ כמו שנרמז בהפסוק ארחץ בנקיון כפי וגו':

עתה ירחץ ידיו באופן זה. ראשית ירחץ יד ימנית עשר פעמים. ויכוין בעשר האותיות של שם הוי"ה ב"ה דמילוי יודי"ן כזה יוד הי ויד הי - דהיינו שכל רחילה יכוין לאות אחת כסדר. ואח"כ ירחץ יד שמאלית עשר פעמים ויכוין ג"כ בעשר האותיות כנ"ל. ואח"כ ירחץ ב' הידים בסירוגין פעם אחת יד ימנית ופעם אחת יד שמאלית. ויכוין ג"כ על עשר האותיות ב' פעמים. דהיינו שברחילה הראשונה של יד ימנית יכוין לאות י וכן ברחילה הראשונה של יד שמאלית יכוין ג"כ לאות י. וברחילה השניה של ב' הידות יכוין לאות ו ב"פ. וכן בשאר הרחילות יכוין ב"פ בכל אות ואות כסדר. ויעלו כל הרחילות ביחד למספר ארבעים כנגד מ' סאה דמקוה. ואח"כ ירחץ ידיו יאמר זה:

יהי רצון מלפניך יהוה ואלהי ואלהי אבותי שבבכח סגולת רחיצה הזאת יהיו נמתקים הדינים ברחמים. כמו שנרמז בהפסוק ויקרא אלהים ליבשה ארץ ולמקוה המים קרא ימים. ויאיר עלי השם אהיה שעולה **מקוה** (כזה אל"ף ה"ה יו"ד ה"ה) ויהא חשוב לפניך כאלו פבלתי במקוה טהורה שלמעלה הנרמז בהפסוק מקוה ישראל יקוה. וכתוב מקוה ישראל מושיעו בעת צרה. מושיעו ודאי. ההוא דמקורא דמקוה בידוי. אמן סלה:

הנה בספר הקטן, לזוה"כ הריב"ש והנהגות ישרות מביא ענין רחילה הזאת עם מעט ביאור בסוד הכוונה של הפסוק ויקרא אלהים ליבשה ארץ וגו'. אבל המעיין שם יראה שהביאור נאמר בקיצור מאד ולריך פירוש לפירושו. וגם לא נזכר שם מנין הרחילות. ומלבד זה עוד נפלו שם הרבה שיבושים וטעות הדפוס כמוזן לכל מבין וע"כ קבלתי עלי עבודה הזאת לבאר בעזרה"י הסוד של כוונת הרחילה וסוד הרמז של הפסוק ויקרא אלהים ליבשה ארץ וגו' באריכות מעט:

זאת ידוע ליו"ח שהשם אלהים מורה על דין ומרמז לפעמים על בחי' מלכות אימא תתאה ששם היא ההתגלות של מדת הדין. ובשביל זה נקראת בשם אדני שהוא לירוף אדי"ן. ולפעמים מרמז השם אלהים על בחי' בינה אימא עילאה. ואע"פ ששם הוא רחמים ומאיר שם השם אהיה. מ"מ כיוון דדינין מתערין מינה כידוע. לכן תקרא מדה זו ג"כ בשם אלהים. וענין הנהגת הדינים הוא להעלותם לשרשם. שהשם אלהים והשם אדני יזמתקו ע"י השם אהיה ותתעלה יתקרב תיבת ים הרומז על שכינתא תתאה אל תיבת מי הרומז על שכינתא עילאה. וזאת נעשה ע"י כוונת היסוד שנכוון לפלג השם אלהים על ב' שמות אהי"ה אדני"י ולווג ב' השמות ביחד כזה אאהדינהי. כי ב' שמות האלה הם בני' כמספר השם אלהים. ועי"ז נעשה מים. היינו חסדים. כידוע מהנעש"ט זוקלה"ה בכוונת המקוה שמי"ס רומז על ט' יודי"ן

מן ד' מילואי שם הוי"ה ב"ה ע"כ ס"ג מ"ה בן שהן בגימ' טים. וזהו פלג אלהים מלא מים. ולריך לבון שהשם אלהים יומתק בכל הג' מילואין שלו. שעי' האות ה יכול להתמלאות בג' אופנים כזה הי הא הה. נמלא שהשם אלהים במילוי י בגימ' ט'. ובמילוי א בגימ' רל"א. ובמילוי ה בגימ' רל"ה.

מעתה יובן כוונת הרמז של הפסוק ויקרא וגו'. כי תיבת ויקרא וכן תיבת יצשה בגימ' טי"ז. וזה רומז על השם אלהים במילוי י. כי אם

נלך מספר עשרה מן כוללות עשר האותיות של השם אלהים במילואו כזה אל"ף למ"ד ה"י מ"ס. וגם עוד מספר אחד של כולל כל התיבה. הרי לך הוספה של מספר י"א. ועוד נלך מספר חמשה מן כוללות ה' אותיות של השם אלהים פבוט ג"כ עם עוד מספר אחד של כולל כל התיבה של השם

אלהים פשוט. נתוסף עוד מספר ו'. ועולה הכל ביחד מספר טי"ז כמספר תיבת ויקרא ותיבת יצשה. והשם אלהים במילוי א נרמז בתיבת ארץ. כי מספר שזה לשניהם. והשם אלהים במילוי ה ג"כ נרמז בתיבת ארץ. כי אם נלך לתיבת ארץ הג' כוללים של הג' אותיות. וגם כולל אחד מן כל התיבה נתוסף מספר ד' ועולה ביחד רל"ה כמספר השם אלהים במילוי ה. ותיבת

מקו"ה בגימ' השם אהיה במילוי ההי"ן. ותיבת מי"ס בגימ' ט' יודי"ן של ד' מילואי השם הוי"ה ע"כ ס"ג מ"ה בן. ובכן מבוארת הכוונה שהתיבות ויקרא אלהי"ם ליצשה ארץ הרומזות על השם אלהים בג' מילואין יומתקו בתיבות ולמקו"ה המי"ס הרומזות על השם אהי"ה ועל הט' יודין דמילואי השם הוי"ה ע"כ ס"ג מ"ה בן. ועי"ז יהיה קר"א ימי"ס. היינו שיזדווגו תיבת ים עם

תיבת מי שבהי מלכות תתעלה עד הבינה. כמו שנרמז בהר"ת של הפסוקים מקוה ישראל ה' וגו'. מקוה ישראל מושיעו צעת לרה. ודי כזה למצין: **טחור**. לכאב הטחול כבר מובא לעיל באות ב' סימן בטן איזו רפואות. ועוד רפואה לכתוש זרע חרדר ולעשות ממנו אבק דק כקמח ולערב בדבש ולבשל עד שיעשה כמרקחת. וימשח במקום הכאב בצד השמאל של

הבטן תחת הצלעות למעלה למטה ומלמטה למעלה בעוד המשיחה חמה. ולחבוש ממער עם, וואטי". כך יעשה בכל יום ב"פ בערך שני שבועות. וירפא. **טחור**. לכאב הטחול. רפואה ליקח מוח ארנבת מזכר לזכר ומנקבה לנקבה ולכתשו מעט ולמעכו עד שיעשה כמו משיחה ולמשוח על חתיכת

בר ולהניח על מקום הכאב שיונח שם שש שעות ולא יותר. ועי"ז יוקטן נפיחת הטחול (מ"א):

טחור. לכאב הטחול. רפואה ליקח זבל צאן ה' גרגרים ולמעכם ולערבם עם מעט חומץ חזק ולמשוח על חתיכת בר ויניח על מקום הכאב שיונח שם מעת לעת. כן יעשה כמה ימים. וירפא (ת"א):

טחול. להתקשות ונפיחת הטחול בילדים ונערים. סגולה לקחת טחול של בקר. מזכר לזכר ומנקבה לנקבה, ותחתיו הנחיל למרוב

רק בשני קצותיו ישאר מחובר ועי"ז יהי' כמו טבעת. ותכנים ראש החולה תוך חלל הטחול וכן תוריד ותשפיל הטחול עד מתחת לרגליו שיוציא את רגליו מן הטחול. כן תעשה ג"פ. ואח"כ תתלה הטחול בעשן במקום חם. וכשיתייבש הטחול יתרפא הטחול של החולה (כתבי הריב"ש):

טחול. לכאב הטחול. רפואה שישתה מים שנכבה בהם ברזל-שטאָהל. ובזמננו שנתחדש היין מארץ ישראל הנקרא כרמל-ברזל הוא רפואה טובה לכאב הטחול:

טחורים. לחולי הטחורים הנקרא, מארירען. אם יצאו אבעבועות קשות ואדומות הנקראים, פיקלען מסביב לפי הטבעת ומוזה נולד כאב גדול. רפואה לחמם מי רבש הנקרא, מעהרד ולשפוך בקערה חם וישב החולה במרחץ הזה בערך חצי שעה. כן יעשה איזה פעמים וירוח לו. ואחר כל מרחץ ימשחם בשמן שקדים מרים, או עם המשיחה הנקראת באפטייק, קאָלד-קרעם. או עם המשיחות הנזכרין הלאה:

טחורים. לאבעבועות אשר מסביב לפי הטבעת. רפואה לעקור עם שורשם עשבים המכווה הנקראים, פאָקרוֹוואַ ולבשלם במים ולשפוך המים החמים בקערה וישב החולה בזה בערך חצי שעה. כן יעשה איזה פעמים. ואחר המרחץ ימרח את ה"פיקלען" במשיחות הנזכרין הלאה:

טחורים. לאבעבועות שנקראים, פיקלען. רפואה שיעשה החולה לעצמו מרחצאות של ישיבה מן, קאָמעללין הנקרא באפטייק, מיענטאָ וישב במי ביסול הקאמעללין בערך חצי שעה שיהיו חמין ואח"כ ימשח שם באחת מן המשיחות:

טחורים. לעצור דם הטחורים. רפואה לחתוך התבן מן התבואה הנקראת, מאַטאַרקאָ על חתיכות קטנות ולבשל ביחד עם חתיכות קטנות של העץ הנקרא באפטייק בלשון ליטיין, וויסקום-אלבום. וישתה המים כמו שזותין טיי. אבל שלא יהיו המים חמין ביותר:

טחורים. לאבעבועות הנקראים, פיקלען. רפואה לכתוש, האַלְאָהן שרוף עם מעט, גרינשפאן ולערוב עם מעט, שמיעטאנקאָ או עם מעט חמאה תפילה עד שתעשה כמו משיחה ותמרח משיחה הזאת על חתיכת, וואַטי ותניח על האבעבועות איזה פעמים ביום. וירפא:

טחורים. לאבעבועות הנקראים, פיקלען. רפואה לשים לובן ביצה בקערת חרס ותקח חתיכה, האַלְאָהן ותמעך איתה על שולי הקערה בתוך הלובן ביצה עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. ותמרח את המשיחה על חתיכה, וואַטי ותניח על ה"פיקלען" איזה כעמים ביום. וירפא:

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מחורים. רפואה לפיקלען. שתחמם שומן חזיר עד שיהי צלול. אח"כ תניח השומן עד שיהי פושרין ואז תערוב בו, יאדינא. שוה בשוה. ותטבול בזאת המשיחה חתיכה, וואטי" ותניח על הפיקלען איזה פעמים ביום. וירפא:

מחורים. רפואה לפיקלען לערוב מררת בהמה עם דבש שוה בשוה ולחמם על האש ולערוב היטב עד שתעשה כמו משיחה. ותמרח את המשיחה על וואטי" ותניח על הפיקלען ב' פעמים ביום. וירפא (מ"א):

מחורים. רפואה לפיקלען שתקנה באפטיק החומץ הנקרא, לינוויי באראווי" ותערוב כף חומץ בתוך חצי גליאן מים וגם תערב בזה חצי כף קטנה, האלאהן כתוש לאבק דק. ותערוב הכל היטב ותכסה במכסה ותעמיד הגליאן במקום חם כדי שיהי המים קרוב לפושרין. ותטבול בזה, וואטי" ותסחוט מעט ותניח על הפיקלען. ובכל חצי שעה תחליף:

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ידיעות. לדעת ממי מניעת ההריון אם מן האיש או מן האשה. סגולה לקחת ב' כלים עם סובין וישתין הבעל בכלי אחד והאשה בכלי הב'. תכסה הכלים ותעמידם כך תחת המיטות על ג' ימים מעת לעת. ובאותו הכלי שיהיו נמצאים אז תולעים. ממנו מניעת ההריון (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם הרה זכר או נקבה תשתין האשה בקערת עץ ותתקע בתוכה על השוליים מחט עבה ותשהה שם יום שלם. אח"כ תסתכל ותראה אם עלו השמרים מן השתן מסביב להמחט כמו עמוד תדע שהרה זכר. ואם נחו השמרים בתחתית הכלי הרה נקבה (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם הרה זכר או נקבה סגולה לשום מחלבה בחודש התשיעי בכלי של מים. אם ישקע החלב הרה זכר. ואם יציף החלב הרה נקבה (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם הרה זכר או נקבה. סגולה לפזר מעט מלח על ראש האשה בלי ידיעתה. אח"כ תכנוס בדברים עמה. ואם היא תתחיל לדבר מזכר הרה זכר. ואם מנקבה נקבה (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם הרה זכר או נקבה. סגולה שתאמר לה פתאם. הראיני

הראיני את ידיך. ואם תראה ידיה באופן שיהי' הנב של היד למעלה
הרה זכר. ואם הנב יהי' למטה. דרה נקבה (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת ע"י חלום תמונת זוגתו שנגזרה לו מן השמים. סגולה
לקחת ביצה שנולדה ביום ב' או ביום ה' ותצלח אותה קשה
ותחתוק אותה על שנים. ואכול החצי בלילה קודם שתלך לישון. והחצי
השני תניח תחת מראשותך (ת"א):

ידיעות. לדעת מי ימות תחלה. האיש או אשתו. תחשוב מספר ב'
שמותם יחד ותוסיף על מספרם י"ג ותשליך ט' ט' עד אשר
ישאר בידך ט' או פחות. ותראה אם נשאר מספר זוגי ימות הבעל קודם.
ואם נשאר מספר נפרד תמות האשה קודם (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם הבעל שברח ישוב לביתו לאשתו או לא. וכן אם
ישוב בקרוב או לא. תחשוב שם השואל ושם האשה ושם
אותו יום השבוע שבאה בו לפניך השאלה ותצרף ביחד החשבון של ג'
המספרים. ותוציא מן החשבון ז' ז' והנותר קח בידך. אם נשאר אחד
תדע שלא ישוב לעולם. אם נשאר ב' ישוב. אם נשאר ג' ישוב בנחת
ולא בצער. אם נשאר ד' לא ישוב אלא אחר זמן מרובה. אם נשאר ה'
ימות בחזירתו או יוכה ביסורין גדולים בדרך חזירתו. אם נשאר ו' יבוא
לביתו בקרוב. אם נשאר ז' לא ישוב לעולם. וכמו כן לדעת אם האשה
תחזור לבעלה שברחה ממנו. תחשוב שם השואל ושם הבעל ושם יום
השבוע. הכל כנ"ל. ותדע כי שם יום השבוע חושבין באופן הזה. שאם
באה לפניך השאלה ביום א' תחשוב שם היום למספר אחד. ואם ביום
ב' תחשוב מספר ב'. וכן השאר (מקבלת הריב"ש):

ידיעות. לדעת אם אדם שהלך למרחקים עורנו בחיים. תקח ביצה
מתרנגולת שחורה דאתילדה מאתמול וגם רביעית מים צלולים
שתוקים. והלקיחה תהיה על שם פכ"פ שהלך למרחקים. ואחר שיהיו
בידך הביצה עם המים תאמר – מיט יעם וויל איך וויסען אויב פכ"פ
לעבט אדער ניט – אח"כ תשבר ותשפוך לובן הביצה לתוך המים. ואם
יעמיד לובן הביצה באמצע המים כמו ראש זה סימן טוב כי חי הוא.
ובאם יפול למטה הוא להיפוך (מכתבי רבנו נפתלי כ"ץ):

ידיעות. לדעת הרוצה להנות שוחט ובודק אם נולד בכוכב מאדים
או לא. יחשוב שמו כמו שקורין אותו לתורה. וגם שם
אמו. ויצרף המספרים. וישליך כל מספר ז' ז'. ויחשוב מספר הנשאר.
אם נשאר מספר א' סימן שנולד בכוכב שבתאי. ואם נשאר מספר ב'

סימן שנולד בכוכב צדק. וכן כלם על סדר שבעה כוכבי לכת שהם שבתאי צדק מאדים חמה נוגה כוכב לבנה (מ"א):

ידיעות. אדם הרוצה לדעת באיזה מזל נולד יחשוב שמו כמו שקורין אותו לתורה. וגם שם אמו. ויצרף דמספרים. וישליך כל מספר י"ב י"ב. ויחשוב מספר הנשאר. אם נשאר מספר א' סימן שנולד במזל כ"ה. ואם ב' סימן על מזל שור. וכן כלם על סדר י"ב המזלות (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם החולה יקום מחליו או ימית ח"ו. בכניסתך אל החולה תאמר הפסוק "גלמו ראו עיניך ועל ספרך כלם יכתבו" ואם ידבר החולה עמך תיכף תיך כרי דבור סימן שיחי'. ואם לאו הוא להיפוך (זכירה):

ידיעות. לדעת אם החולה יקום או להיפוך ח"ו. תשים בשתן שלו חלב אשה. ואם ישקע החלב ימות. ואם יציף החלב ממעל יחי' (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם החולה יחי' או להיפוך ח"ו. תקח ביצה בת יומא ותשקול אותה היטב בצמצום. ותשים הביצה תחת מראשותיו של החולה על לילה אחד. ובבקר תקח הביצה ותחזור ותשקול אותה. ובאם תהי' במשקלה כבראשונה סימן שיחי'. ואם נחסרה ממשקלה הוא להיפוך (ת"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם החולה יחי'. כתב הרמב"ם ז"ל סגולה לקחת חתיכה שומן חזיר מזכר לזכר ומנקבה לנקבה ולמשוח כפות רגלי החולה ואח"כ ישליך חתיכה הנשארה לכלב. ואם יאכלנה הכלב סימן שיחיה החולה:

ידיעות. לדעת אם מחלת החולה היא ע"י כשוף. תשפוך שמן זית בכוס של זכוכית בערך עד ב' שלישיות מן הכוס. ותכסה את כל הכוס מבחוץ עם נייר שחור. ויסתכל החולה בתוך הכוס. אם נעשה לו כשוף יראה את פניו בתוך הכוס שהוא דפוך. ובאם לאו יראה את פניו ביושר (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת אם נעשה לאדם כשוף ילך אל קן של נמלים וישב שם. ואם נבדקו בו הנמלים ומרחשים עליו סימן שלא נעשה לו כשוף. ובאם לאו. בודאי נעשה לו כשוף (מ"א):

ידיעות. לדעת באיזה מקום במים מונח גוף האדם הנמבע. סגולה לקחת ככר לחם שלם או קערה של עץ. ודוק למים והוא יישוט מיד לאותו מקום שמונח שם מתחת המים גוף הנמבע ויעמוד שם (ת"א):

ידיעות על אדות גנבות עיין לעיל אות ב' בעניני גנבות:

יולדת. יולדת צריכה שמירה עד שתטבול, ובאם נחויץ לה ללכת לאיזה חדר בבית דירתה ביחידות, סגולה שתניח בצלחתה סכין (יוס"א):

יולדת. שמירה ליולדת, תצוה לסופר שיטבול עצמו ויכתוב בכתב ס"ת על קלף כשר קמיע בזאת הצורה, ותניח הקמיע אצל היולדת במפתה מכוסה בין ב' ניירות ויועיל בעזהש"י (ת"א):

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ש	ב	ט	ד	י
צ	ז	ה	ג	צ
י	ו	א	ח	ש
י	י	צ	ש	ע

יולדת. שמירה ליולדת, כתוב על קלף כשר או על נייר בכתיבה תמה כזה, ותשים בתיק ותניח אצל היולדת או עליה או תחת הכר, ותלך בקמיע זו עד שתטבול, וזה הנוסח (ת"א):

אָדון מָדון נָדון נִכְדָן נִשְׁטָן נִשְׁקָט
אתה סתר לי מצר תצרני רני פֿלַט תסובבני סֵלָה
סֵלָה תסובבני פֿלַט רני תצרני מצר לי סתר אתה
אזבוגה

יִלְדִים. ילד שאינו רוצה להניק יבדקו בפיו אם אין בו איזה חסרון, וגם יבדקו פטמאות דדי אמו אם אין בהם איזה חסרון, ובאם לא נמצא כל חסרון צדדי, סגולה שתקח אמו את התינוק ערום כמו שנולד ותניח את הילד בין דדיה ועל בטנה בשר לבשר בלי הפסק שום דבר, עד שיתחמם הילד היטב מן בשר אמו, כן תעשה איזה פעמים, ויתרצה להניק, ומצר הרפואה טוב לחמם פי הילד עם קאמפרעסען חמים ולפעמים מועיל למשוח פטמאות הדדים עם דבש צלול, וגם צריך לשאול את היולדת אם לא הריחה איזה מאכל כשהיתה מעוברת, ואז יטבולו אצבע בזה מין המאכל ויתנו לתינוק לטעום ועי"ז ירצה לינוק:

יִלְדִים. ילד הבוכה תמיד בלי כל סבה של איזו מחלה, סגולה לכתוב על קלף כשר השם **הב הב יה**, ולכרכו בין ב' חתיכות נייר נקי ולהניח תחת מראשותיו (מ"א):

0 ילדים. סגולה לילד בריא הבוכה מאין הפונות ללחוש לו באונו בשעה שאינו בוכה זה הפסוק דישעיהו. כי עם בציון ישב בירושלים בכו לא תכבה חנוך יחנך לקול זעקך כשמעתי ענה. וזה הפסוק נמצא במעמדות ליום ראשון בסוף (מרה"ל):

0 ילדים. תינוק הבוכה תמיד בלי מחלה. סגולה שתקח שמן זית ותשפכנו בכוס או בקערה ותאמר עליו ג' ימים זה אחר זה בזמן שקיעת החמה מזמור ח' של תהלים. אח"כ תסיך עם זה השמן פניו ידיו ורגליו של התינוק וישקוט מלככות (ש"ת):

ילדים. ילד שנחלה פתאום ולא ניכר בו סימן מחלה צריך לחשוש שניזק מעין הרע. וסגולה טובה שהאדם המחויק את הילד יאמר עליו הפסוקים המסוגלים להסיר עינא בישא. ואלה הם. אוסרי לגפן עירה ולשהקה בני אתונו. וישא בלעם את עיניו וירא את ישראל שוכן לשבטיו ותהי עליו רוח אלהים. ואני ברוב חסדך אבוא ביתך אשתחווה אל היכל קדשך ביראתך (אמ"ן):

ילדים. צריך להזהר כשרוחצין את הילד ערום שלא יהי' כנגד הנר ממש. כי זאת קשה לחולי נכפה רח"ל (גמרא):

ילדים. ילדים שהם כחושים ורזים שקורין חולי דאך והילד יונק הרבה ואיננו שבע. רפואה טובה לרחוץ התינוק במים חמים שיוזע ואחר שיקחו את הילד מן המרחץ יעטפו אותו מיד במעטפה חמה ויסוך עור בשרו במי דבש מתוק. ואחר איוז רגעים יסתכלו היטב על עור בשרו ויתראו שם כמו נקודות ושערות שחורות. ואז נודע הדבר שהחולי דאך בא להילד מן תולעים קטנים ודקים מאד שפרו ורבו מתחת לעור בשרו וראשית יעשו מן קליפת לחם כעין סכין חד ויעברו את הסכין על עור הבשר להסיר ולמעך ממנו את הנקודות השחורות. ואח"כ ירחצו את הילד במים שנתבשל בהם העשב המר הנקרא פיעלין או ווערמוט. או שירחצו את הילד במי סופלימאט. ואחר הרחיצה יסיכו את כל בשרו במשיחה הנקראת באפטיק שאר-מאשץ. ובאם לא נראה על בשר הילד נקודות שחורות יכול להיות שהחולי בא לו מחמת תולעים שבבני מעיים שלו. והסימן לזה שמתעטש הרבה ונורר בחוטמו. ובאם לא נראה בו גם סימן הזה אין זה כי אם שחלב מינקתו לא טוב. וצריך להחליף החלב (מ"א):

ילדים. ילד שנחלה על חולי דאך הנקרא ג'כ, סאכאטין ונעשה בכל פעם יותר כחוש ורזה. סגולה לקחת ענפים מן עץ ערבה הנקרא

דנקרא „וויערזונג-בויס“ ולבשל הענפים במים שתוקים. ותקח את הכלי שמחמיצין בו העיסה לאפיית לחם הנקרא „דויוי“ ותעשה בו החמיצה הנקראת „ראשטשינא“ של עיסה לאפיית לחם. ותעמיד אטבטי קטנה על ה„דויוי“ אשר בה העיסה. ותשפוך באטבטי את המים החמין של בישולי ענפי הערבה ותרחוק את הילד בהמים ג' פעמים כל זמן שהעיסה מתחמצת בה„דויוי“. ואח"כ תשפוך מי הרחיצה תחת עץ הערבה שנחתכו ממנו הענפים ותאמר בזה הלשון: „געם דיר צו די דאר מיט די סאחאטא פון דעם ילד פב"פ“. (ת"א):

ילדים. ילד שסובל יסורין כשמתחילין השיניים לצמוח. רפואה לחם חמאה או שומן תרנגולת ויטבול בזה „וואטן“ וימרח בשר החניכים איזה פעמים ביום. וגם ערפו וגרונו ימרחו בזה השומן. ויצאו שיניו בנקל ומצד הסגולה טוב לתלות בצוארו שן של סוס או שן של כלב (מרה"ל):

ילדים. ילד שאין השיניים צומחין בו בזמן הראוין לצמוח. רפואה ליתן לו לשתות מעט מעט מן ששה עד עשרה כפות קטנות מי-סיד מעורב בחלב. והמי-סיד יקנה באפטיק:

ילדים. יוהרו מלכסות צואת הילד לאחר שעשה צרכיו באפר חם. כי זאת מוזק לגוף שיצאה הצואה ממנו (ס"ח):

ילדים. ילד המקיא הרבה מחמת צמיחת השיניים סגולה לקחת ב' חצי קליפות של „וועלטשינג-נים“ ולמרוח קצה ופי הקליפות עם ופת. ויתן בקליפה אחת ג' שקדים מרים ג' פלפלין וג' חתיכות קטנות מלח, ובקליפה הב' ישים שממית חיה ותיכף ידבק היטב הקליפות שיהיו כמו אגוז שלם. ויתן האגוז בתוך כים קטן ויתלה על צואר הילד שהכים יהי מונח על הגומא שתחת הלב. ועי'ו תשקוט ההקאה (ע"ח):

ילדים. ילד הרגיל בקיצען. אל תאכל המניקת שלו תפוחי אדמה „קאר-טאפעל“ רק תאכל מאכלים שמנים המכרים את הגוף. וטוב שתשתה המניקת שלו „ענעס“ מבושל במים כמו טיי:

ילדים. ילד הרגל בקיצען עם קרעמפען. רפואה ליתן להילד ג' ימים בכל שבוע בבקר מן ג' עד ה' טפות „בורשטין-עעהל“. ונקרא באפטיק בלשון ליטין „סוכצינגעס-עעהל“ בכף כסף עם חלב אמו:

ילדים. לקיצען. סגולה להעמיד הילד על מפתן דבית תחת המזוזה. ויניח על ראש הילד לוח דק. ויעשה חריץ במזוזה הפתח כסדרת

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גובה ראש הילד תחת הלוח. וכשיגדיל הילד קצת שיהי גבוה מעט מן
החריץ. תסיר ממנו הקיבען (כ"ח):

ילדים. עוד סגולה לקיבען. שתקח מן התנור ב' לחמים או ככרות
שנדבקו זה לזה בשעת האפיה. ותעמוד מאחורי הילד ותשבר
את הככרות להפרידם זה מזה על ראש הילד (אמ"ן):

ילדים. עוד סגולה לקיבען עם קרעמפּען. שתחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו
של הילד וגם מעט שערות ראשו. ותמדוד את הילד עם חוט
בוימוואל לבן מאמצע ראשו עד עקבו. ותכרוך עם החוט את הצפורנים
והשערות ותדבק כל זה עם התיכה שעוה הנקרא "יארני-וואקס" ותעשה
נקב באילן ותתחוב את השעוה בחור האילן ותאמר, "הא לכם חלקכם וקחו
גם את מחלת הקיבען מן זה הילד". אח"כ תתקע בחור האילן, פלעקעל
צר. ותלך לביתך ואל תביט אחריך. וירפא הילד (אמ"ן):

ילדים. עוד סגולה לקיבען. שתעמיד את הילד אחוריו לכותל ותנקוב
חור בהכותל למעלה מראש הילד. ומקודם לזה תגזז שערות
הילד וגם צפורני ידיו ורגליו ותצרור הכל יחד בצרור קשון. ותתחוב בהחור
שבכותל בשעה שתעמיד את הילד אחוריו לכותל. ותסתום תיכף את הנקב
עם פלעקעל צר. ותאמר בזה הלשון: כשם שהשערות והצפורנים האלה
לא יחזרו עוד אל הילד הזה כן לא תחזור עוד מחלת הקיבען אל הילד
הזה לעולם ועד אמן סלה נצח" (אמ"ן):

ילדים. לקאנקעל-הוסט בילדים. רפואה הראשונה היא שינשום בקרבו
אוויר צח. וע"כ טוב שילכו עמו בכל יום לטייל בחוץ. וכאשר
הילד בבית יורקו על בגדיו מלפניו כמה פעמים ביום מי "קארבול" כדי
שישאף באפיו הריח של "קארבול" ויוטב לו:

ילדים. לקאנקעל-הוסט. רפואה ליתן להילד חלב מבושל עם בריסט-
מי". עוד רפואה לבשל "בארעקים" עם "קאנדעל-צוקער" בישול
הרבה. וליתן לו המרק לשתיים בכל שעה כף קמנה:

ילדים. לקאנקעל-הוסט. רפואה לכתוש ב' לויט קאנדעל-צוקער עם לויט
אחד גפרית שיהי כקמח. ותחלק זאת על ששה חלקים. ותתן
להילד חלק אחד מן הששה חלקים בבקר וחלק אחד בערב מעורב בחלב
חם לשתיים. כן תתן לו לכל הפחות ג' ימים ויוטב לו (מ"א):

ילדים. ילד שאין לו כח ללכת על רגליו. סגולה לקחת הסכין אשר
בצע בו את החלה בליל שבת קודש תיכף אחרי הבציעה ולהניחו
על הארץ שיהיה צד החד למעלה. ולהנהיג את הילד על הארץ שיפסע

פסיעות באופן שיפסע על היבין. דהיינו שהסבין יהי' בין הפסיעות. כן יעשו ג"פ ישר והפוך בחורה. ואח"כ יתחיל ללכת (אמ"ן):

ילדים. כשמתחיל הילד להתגדל וללכת ברגליו צריכה האם לשים עין היטב על היציאה שלו אם נמצאים בה תולעים קטנים המרחשים שם. ואז נחוץ מאד ליתן להילד בכל סוף חודש העשב הנקרא, ווערים-קרויט". או לקנות באפטיק "ווערים-ציקערלעך". וכמספר השנים של הילד כן יהי' מספר הציקערלעך שיתנו לו:

ילדים. סגולה להציל הילדים מן עין הרע לתלות עליו מס של כסף או של מתכות אחר עם צורה בולטת של אות ה' (זכירה):

ילדים. יש מנהג בין הנשים לקשור חוט אדום על ידי הילדים. וזה אמור משום דרכי האמורי כדאיתא בתוספתא:

ילדים. ילדים החולים על מחלת השקראפעל צריך ליתן להם לשתות שמן דגים טוב. ולעשות להם בכל יום מרחץ. יום אחד מן מלח. ויום אחד מן סאלץ עם סובין של חטים. ובזמן הקיץ טוב לעשות להם מרחץ גם מן עלי אגוזים שנקראים "מערקיש-נים":

יום. הרוצה ליסע על הים ומתירא שלא יזקנו שינוי האויר של הים. סגולה שקורם שישב על הספינה יאכל בצל שלם בלי מלח (ז"ו):

יום. הנוסע על הים סגולה שיאמר בכל יום תפלת יונה הנביא. והרח"ו וצוקלה"ה בספרו לק"ת פ' שמות כתב סגולה שיהרהר תמיד בנסיעתו על הים בהשם הקדוש **מדה"ש** שהוא שם אחד מן השם ע"ב. וסגולתו להציל מטביעה במים.

יום. אם רואה אדם הסכנה לפניו שהוא ח"ו טובע בנהר או בים. ישא עיניו לשמים ויאמר: "הושיעני אלהים כי באו מים עד נפש. ועזרני בכח השם הקדוש **נעורירון** שאנצל מטביעת מים ברוב רחמין וחסדיך הרבים. אמן סלה נצח" (זכירה):

יום. תפלה לעוברי ימים. יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי אבותי שתוליכני לשלום ותסמכני ותצילני משטף מים ומרוח סערה ומכף כל אויב ואורב בדרך ביער ובים. ותנהיגני בצל ימינך לטובה. ותהנני היום ובכל יום ויום לחן לחם ולרחמים בעיניך ובעיני כל רואי ותגיעני אל מחוז חפצי לשלום ותשמע קול תפילתי בשועי אליך ברוך אתה ה' שוכע תפלה (מדת"ל):

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כבד. לנפוח הכבד ולאבני מרה. רפואה לשתות איזה פעמים ביום ה' ספות „מערפענמין“ מעורב בחלב:

כבד. לנפוח הכבד וכאב שלו. רפואה לבשל זרע פשתן הנקרא „ליאני-שעמין“ עם חומץ יין טוב ויניח מזה „חלארנעס“ חמות על צד הימין נגד מקום הכבד.

כבד. למחלת הכבד. רפואה לקנות באפטיק העשב הנקרא בלשון ליטוין „הערבא-חעליראני“ ולבשל במים וישתה החולה מזה ג' כוסות ביום כמו ששותין טיי.

כלב. המתירא מן הכלבים שלא ינשכו אותו. סגולה מקבלת רב פפא לומר לפניהם בזה הלשון „סורו סורו ממני כלבים עדת מרעים כי יש בי תשי"ו עצמות דקרושה הטבטלים תשי"ו עצמות דטומאה“:

כלב. המתירא מן הכלבים סגולה שישא אצלו שן כלב גדול שחור ולא ינבחו עליו הכלבים (ש"א) או ישא אצלו לב כלב ולא יויק לו שום כלב ושום כשוף. ויכול לשרות הלב בשפריט חזק של יין שרף כדי שלא יעלה רקב מהרה (ת"א).

כלב. נשיכת כלב שומה מסוכנת מאד. ובזמן הזה נמצאים בעיירות הגדולות רופאים מומחים לזה המתמנים מטעם הממשלה לטובת המדינה. וקודם שיוכל לבוא לפני הרופא יעשה רפואה ביתית. שיקח בצל ויכתוש או יסעך אותו על „ריבאייזען“ ויערוב עם מלח ודבש חי עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. וימשח על מקום הנשיכה איזה פעמים ביום. ומקודם יפתח הפצע היטב באיזמל חד וישים שם כוסות המציצה. ומסביב הפצע יעמיד עלוקות. וגם יקשור בחזק עם חבל דק משני צדדי הנשיכה במרחק ג' אצבעות ממקום הנשיכה:

כלב. כלבים משחקים. סימן שאליהו הנביא נמצא בעיר. כלבים צועקים ובוכים. סימן שמלאך המות נמצא בעיר. וכאשר יוצא האדם מפתח ביתו בנקר ובא כנגדו כלב משחק. דהיינו שהוא מרקד ומשתחווה לפניו. סימן שביום זה יצליח בכל אשר יפנה (דן ידן).

כלב. סגולה אם אירע ח"ו לאדם נשיכת כלב שומה להרוג תיכף את הכלב ולא ימנה האדם הנשוק (רו"ח).

כרכשתא. לכרכשתא הנופלת לחוץ מפי הטבעת. ראשית יראה שתהיי לו יציאה רפה ורכה. ורפואה לבשל חתיכות קליפת עץ „דאמב“ עד שהמים יהיו אדומים וישפוך המים חסין בקערה גדולה ויעשה לו מרחצאות של ישיבה. ומלבד זה יעשה לו משיחה שיסמן חלמון ביצה עם

עם, באקען-חלב וימרח המשיחה על חתיכת „וואמע“ ויניח חם שני פעמים ביום.

כשפים. לבטל כשפים. סגולה לקנות דג חי הנקרא „העכמ“ וישלם בעדו כמה שהמוכר רוצה בפעם ראשון. וישתין החולה לתוך פיו של הדג. אח"כ יחזיר את הדג בעודנו חי להמים שניצד משם (ת"א):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים. סגולה ליתן להחולה לאכול דג הנמצא בתוך דג. אם עדיין לא נסרח היטב ולא נרקב (מ"א):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים. סגולה לקחת שליא מן ולד הנולד ולרחוץ השליא במים. ואח"כ ירחצו באותן המים את גוף המכושף (ת"א):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים. סגולה לתת בבית עשב „רוטא“ עם אזוב. וגם חלבנה הנקרא „טייוועלסקוים“. ולתלות הכיס בצואר החולה (אמ"ן):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים. סגולה לקחת אגוז לוז הנקרא „וועלמשניגע-ניס“ ולחלקה על ב' חצאין. ויריק האוכל מן הקליפות וישים בהן מעט כסף חי. ואבנים לבנות כמראה הברד הנמצאות בקורקן תרנגול לצר. ומתרנגולת לנקבה. ויותר טוב שהתרנגול או התרנגולת יהיו שחורים. וגם מעט מלח ישים בהן. וידבק ב' חצאי הקליפות בדבק היטב שלא יהי נקב. וישים האגוז במכסה של עור דק ויתלה בצואר החולה. וסגולה זו טובה ג"כ נגד עין הרע (ת"א):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים ולהבריא מן החולה רוח רעה. סגולה לעשן את החולה בלב דג חי. או לעשנו עם הכרבלת האדום שעל ראש התרנגול. וצריך לחתוך ממנו הכרבלת תיכף ומיד אחר השחיטה וליתנו תיכף על הגחלים. או לעשנו עם המוח של ראש תרנגול לזכר ועם המוח של ראש תרנגולת לנקבה. וצריך לעשות שהעשן של ההקטרות האלה יכנס באף החולה. ובאם אפשר הדבר טוב שיאמר ההולה בשעת ההקטרה זו פעמים הפסוק „שרים רדפוני חנם ומדברך פחד לבי“ (אמ"ן):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים ולהבריא מן החולה רוח רע. סגולה לכתוב על קלף בשר בכתיבה תמה אלו השמות הקדושים **שדי קרע עזמן**. ועוד יקח חתיכה קטנה של קלף כשר ויכתוב השם הקדוש **טרפניאל** וישים ב' הקמיעות ביחד בתוך תיק קטן של מתכות. והתיק של מתכות יכסה במכסה של עור ויתלה על החולה (ספר רזיאל):

כשפים. לבטל כשפים ולהבריא מן החולה רוח רע. יקח מזוזה קטנה כשרה ויבקש מן הסופר שיכתוב בעבר השני תחת השם **שדי**

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אלו השמות קרע שמן וישים המזווה בתוך תיק קטן של מתכות ויכסה התיק במכסה של עור ויתלה על החולה (אמ"ן):

כשפים. אם הכשוף כבר נשלך למים או נשרף באש קשה מאד לבטל הכשוף. ועל זה אמרו חז"ל מפני מה נקרא שמם כשפים. שמכחישים פמליא של מעלה:

כשפים. סגולה לבטל כח הכשוף מן החולה. תקח הכלי שהחולה משתין בה ותשים בו גחלי אש ועל הגחלים תשים עשב יבש וגם מעט נוצות מן הכסת שהחולה מתכסה בה. ויעשן החולה את כל גופו בזה העשן. ואח"כ ישתין החולה על הגחלים ותזרוק את הגחלים לאשפה (זכירה):

כתמים. להסיר הכתמים מעל הפנים. והן הנקראים, זומער-שפרענקלעך. קח ביצת תרנגולת שאיננה מוסרחת ושנולדה במילוי הלכנה ותשרה הביצה בחומץ חזק. ובכל יום תחליף את החומץ. ותשרה כך איזה ימים עד שתתרכך הקליפה. ואח"כ תדקור במחט את הביצה ויצא ממנה משקה. ובמשקה הזה תסיך על הכתמים איזה פעמים (מ"א):

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לכ. לכאב לב. רפואה לקנות באפטייק השורש הנקרא, פיאקאווין-ווארצעל ולבשלו בחלב ולשתות ג' כוסות ליום:

לכ. לכאב לב תשרה עשב, "רוטא" ביין מתוק ג' ימים ותשתה מן היין ג' כוסות קטנים ליום:

לכ. לכאב לב. רפואה לקחת חצי, קוואטירל" חמאה מפלה וחצי קוואטירל" דבש דבורים ולבשל ביחד. ולערוב בשעת הבישול כוס קטן יין מוב או יין שרף טוב. ואחר שנתבשל מעט הכל ביחד תעמיד זאת במקום קר שיקרוש. ויאכל החולה מזה ה' כפות קטנות ליום:

לכ. מי שיש לו מחלה של חולשת הלב יאכל בבקר תיכף בקומו ממטתו אפי' קודם התפלה:

לכ. לכאב לב רפואה שתבשל ב', קוואטירעל" מים ותשים בתוכו ב' כפות עשב, "רוטא" וישתה מזה גליאן אחד בבקר וגליאן אחד בערב. כן יעשה איזה שבועות:

מגפה. סגולה נפלאה וברוקה מקבלת רב פפא בימי הגולה. תקח בכל יום אגוז הנקרא „לאַערבער“ ותאכל החצי. וחצי השני יניח בפיו כל היום. רק בשרוצה לאכול יוציאו מתוך הפה. וכל זמן שהחצי „לאַערבער“ בפיו לא תאונה אליו כל רעה (ת"א):

מגפה. מי שניכר בו סימני המגפה השחורה רח"ל הנקראת „פּעסט“ או „טשאַמא“ סגולה לסוך תיכף על המקום שכואב מחמת החולי עם דיו. טרם שיתוודע לאדם אחר מן החולי. ועי' תסיר ממנו המחלה. ויש חרם מקדמונים לבטלי לגלות זאת הסגולה לזרים (אמ"ן):

מגפה. למגפת החולי רע רח"ל נשלחה מירושלים ליחידיו סגולה קמיע לכתוב אותה על נייר דק בכתב אשורית. וכאשר אך מתחיל להרגיש סימני המחלה יבלע החולה תיכף את הקמיע. וכתבו לנו חכמי ירושלים שיש להם בקבלה זאת הקמיע מאת הקדוש ד' שלום בעש"ט וצ"ל ומוסכם שמותר לכותבה אפילו בשבת.

וזה תוארה .

פרעון קרון האן פינר
קרון האן פרעון פינר
האן פרעון קרון פינר
יחנט צורה

מגפה. על פי חכמת הרפואה יזהר כל האדם בזמן המגפה להשמר את עצמו מצינה ולשאף אויר נקי. ולא יטייל במקומות הרעים. ואם האויר קר יזהר מאד להחזיק את הרגלים והבטן בחמימות. ויאזור על הבטן „פלאַנעל“ רכה. ולא ישתה הרבה ממשקאות המשכרים. לא יתייגע הן ביגיעה גופנית והן ביגיעה רוחנית. יהי' נזהר בפת שחרית. ובכל היום אל ימלא כרסו. רק שיאכל קרוב לשבעה:

מגפה. על פי חכמת הרפואה תיכף ומיד כשמרגיש ח"ו שלשול וצמאון בלי שום סבה יזהר לפנות עצמו תיכף אל רופא מוכחה: וקודם שיבוא הרופא יוכלו לעשות איזה אמצעים נגד השלשול. דהיינו לעשות „קאמפרעסען“ חמין על הבטן. ולחלח היטב נייר „בינעל“ עם שפירט של יין שרף ולפזר עליו פלפלין שחוק וכתוש. ולעשות נקב באמצע הנייר ולחבוש על הבטן באופן שהשרר יהיה נגד הנקב. ועל הנייר יחבוש עם „וואטין“. או „פלאַנעל“. ליתן לו לשתות מי בשול „מיענטא“

עם פאָנטאָג. מי בשול אורז כתוש. קאָווי" חמה שחורה עם קאָניאָק. ליתן לו איזה פעמים בערך עשרים טפות הנקראות באפטיק, ונאָעמאָווי-קראָפּליס". או וואַלעריאַן קראָפּליס מעורב עם מינענטא קראָפּליס. בעת ההקאה יתנו לו לבלוע חתיכת קרח. וירחצו את פניו מתחת לחוטמו עם עטהער-סולפאָריקן. וכאשר יאחוזהו השבץ באברי הגוף ישפשו שם עם בגד צמר גיבש עד שהעור יתאדם. וגם יכולים לשפשף היטב בידים עם שפירט, גאָרטשיצאָווי" ב' חלקים מעורב עם חלק אחד קאמפאָר שפירט. וגם יחממו את רגליו עם בטנו על ידי גיטלעס מים חמים או אמבטי. המתעסקים עמו יזהרו בכל פעם לרחוץ את ידיהם ופניהם עם מי קארבול. או עם עטהער. ואת פיהם ירחצו בכל פעם עם יין שרף חזק. ויזהרו מאד מלנגוע ביציאה של החולה רק ישפכו סיד על היציאה. וכן על ההקאה:

מגפה. על פי חכמת הרפואה נצרך להזהר בשעת המגפה. ראשית שיהי' בית דירתו נקי מכל לכלוך וריח רע. גם הבתי כסאות צריכים להנקות ולשפוף בהם בכל יום סיד. וגם לזרוק שם עם מימי חומץ הקארבולין. וטוב לקטר החדרים בעשבים הנותנים ריח ועשן טוב. כמו סאלוויא. מינענטא. יאלאָווייץ. עאָקאלפּטא. רוטא. וגם טוב ללגן באש לבנה או ברזל ולזרוק עליו חומץ-יין חזק בכל בקר וערב. וזהאנשים יריחו את הקיטור העולה. וגם טוב להריח ב, עטהער סולפאָריקא. בן נקרא בלשון ליטוין. וצריכים להזהר מלשתות מים צוננים בלתי מבושלים. כי אם מבושלים ישתה. ויותר טוב שיהיו חמים עם עלי טיי" או עלי מינענטא. וגם טוב לעשן טיטין-טאבאק. ויזהרו מלאכול פירות חיים בלתי מבושלים. כי אם מבושלים יאכל. מאכלו יהי מאכלים קלים. ויזהר מחולשת הרב ואין להתענות שום תענית בזמן המגפה. ואם אוכל פירות חיים יזהר מאד לקלוף אותם:

מגפה. סגולה בשעת המגפה. למלאות בכל בקר קדירות עם מים חיים ולכתוב על כל קדירה בנתר שנקרא קרייד" אות ת ולהעמיד בכל חדר קדירה אחת. והקדירות תהיינה חדשות (ז"פ):

מגפה. בשעת המגפה אל יתהלך אדם בחוץ בערב מן שעה ששית עד שעה שביעית. ובכל היום כאשר נמצא בחוץ אל יתהלך באמצע הרחוב כי אם בצדדי הרחוב (גמרא):

מגפה. בשעת המגפה רח"ל סגולה לומר בכל יום בבקר ובערב הפסוק אתה סתר לי מצר תצרני וגו'. ג"פ ישר וג"פ הפוך. (כוונות

האר"ל) ואח"כ יאמר ג"פ הפכוך, אהבת כל דברי בלע לשון מרמה גם אל יתצד לנצח יחתך ויסחך מאהל ושרשך מארץ חיים סלה:
מגפה. בזמן המגפה רח"ל. סגולה לתלות בצל לבנה עם שים בכל החלונות של הבית ובכל הפתחים ובר' כותלים שבכל החדרים.
 (זה"פ):

מגפה. סגולה וגם רפואה בזמן מגפת החולי רע רח"ל. שיצוה לעשות לו טס דקה ועגולה מן נחשת אדום הנקרא, קופער-בלעך" שיהי גודלו בערך פי כוס גדול הנקרא, גלאז". ויעשה על השפה און קמון או שיעשה אצל השפה נקב קמון וימשיך בתוכו משיחה הנקרא, בענדיל". ויתלה את הטס על צוארו באופן שיבוא הטס תחת גומת הלב ולא יסיר הטס ממנו במשך כל זמן המגפה:

מגפה. בזמן שליטת המגפה רח"ל. סגולה מהגאון הצדיק ר' עקיבא איגר זצוקלה"ה לבלוע בכל יום ט' גרעיני חרדל אליבא ריקנא.

ולייבש בכל יום חתיכת לחם על גבי נחלים ולישא הלחם בכיסו:
מגפה. בזמן מגפת החולי רע רח"ל. טוב לאכול אחר כל האכילה מעט בצל ושומים כדי שישאר בפיו זה הטעם והריח. ולא יוקנו שנוי האויר:

מגפה. לכל מיני דבר ומגפה רח"ל. סגולה לכתוב על קלף כשר בכתב אשורית עם תגין כדן. חותם כזה. ולתלות על הצואר בתיק

כמו קמיע (ת"א):

וזהו תמונת וחותם.

א	ג	ה	ז	ט
ג	ה	ז	ט	י
ה	ז	ט	י	יא
ז	ט	י	יא	יב
ט	י	יא	יב	יג

מגפה. בספר הקדוש שער היחודים כתוב שטוב לכוין תמיד בזמן המגפה בשם נגף בניקוד שור"ק חיר"ק ציר"י. והוא שם גורא מאד. וכתב עוד דע כי הקליפות המכים את האדם במגפה רח"ל הם הולכים תמיד דבקים עמו ומקיפים אותו מכל צדדיו שיעור כמה אמות ואפילו

מגפה. ובמקום אחר מצאתי בזה הלשון עשב, רומא" יש בו סגולה נפלאה. הן להריוח בו. והן לעשן בו. והן לתלותו על הצוואר בקמיע. אך צריך לחותכו עם דינר זהב ביום ד' בתוספות הירח קודם הנץ החמה. ולומר ויהי נועם יושב בסתר כל המזמור ז"פ קודם שחותך העלים. וצריך לפרט בשפתיו השם של זה האיש שחותך בשבילו. וכך יאמר אנכי דוקט עלי רומא" האלה בשם ה' אלהי ישראל לאסותא מן שמיא ולשמירה עבור פב"פ מן כל פנעים רעים ומרעין בישין. ובשעת המגפה ורח"ל יחתוך עלי רומא" כנ"ל וישים בתוך כיס קמיון של עור דק ביחד עם הקמיע הזאת כתובה על קלף כשר בכתב אשורית וע"י סופר מהיר נברא. ויתלה הקמיע על צווארו וילך בה בכל זמן המגפה ולא תאונה אליו כל רע בעזרת השי"ת. וזה נוסח הקמיע.

שרי				קרע				שמן			
וי	פה	וו	והה	וי	יה	עו	מהר	וי	יה	עו	מהר
ית	יו	יד	הימ	פי	יה	נו	חחס	פי	יה	נו	חחס
עו	נה	פי	עהג	וי	יה	פו	להל	וי	יה	פו	להל
מה	חי	לה	צופ	וי	תה	עו	צהר	וי	תה	עו	צהר
די	סה	לו	רהה	חי	מה	נו	פהה	חי	מה	נו	פהה

מגפה. מובא בכמה ספרים קדושים סגולה גדולה בזמן המגפה שיטבילו עשרה אנשים בני תורה בבקר השכם ויגמרו כל ספר תהלים בביהכנ"ס. אח"כ יקיפו את העיר ויתפללו בארבע פנות העיר פרשת הקמרת עם פטום הקמורת. ואחר כל פעם יאמרו יהי רצון כמו שנדרפס במעמדות ליום הראשון.

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מגפה. קמיע מומחית לתלותה בזמן המגפה רח"ל על מזוזות השמאל
בפתח הבית כנגד המזוזה. ולא יקפלנה רק יתלנה כמות שהיא
שהי' הכתב נראה. ויקבענה בתוף „רעה המעל" עם זכוכית (מקבלת הרוקח
וצ"ל). סוד הקמיע וביאורה תמצא בסוף הספר:

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והאפּ הַהבּ מוּג וּלְהַ	
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וִיִּל אַמוּ אַהֶע הוּשׁ הוּי עֶהוּ יֵחַל אַבֵּל	
שְׂרִי	קֶרַע
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עוּ נֵה פִי עֵהג	וִי יֵה פּוּ לֵהל
מֵה חִי לֵה צוּפּ	וִי תֵה עוּ צֵהר
דִּי סֵה לוּ רֵהה	הִי מֵה נוּ פֵהה

כי אתה יהוה מחסי עליון שמת מעוניך

כיום במלכנו יצא מלך יקום מלך הוות

כי מלאכיו יצוה ל לשמרך בכל דרכיך

למה פרצת גדריה וארזה כל עברי דרך
 איא כבר גסי מתנ צהל חקן ריע רימ שיט ענר
 קנז זגי דור שיד כיש קבי מרר עצנ תהג
 אלהים צבאות שוב נא הבט משמים וראה ופקד נפן זאת.

וְאָבֵר מִשָּׁה אֶל אֶחָד קֵץ אֵת הַמַּחֲמָה וְהֵן עָלֶיהָ אֵשׁ מִעַל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וְשִׁים
וְאָבֵר מִשָּׁה אֶל הַעֲדָה וְכֹפֶר עֲלֵיהֶם כִּי יֵצֵא הַקָּטָן מִלִּפְנֵי יְהוָה חַחֵל
הַדְּגוּף וְיָקֻם אַחֲרָיו כְּאִשֶּׁר דָּבָר מִשָּׁה וְיִרְצֶן אֶל חֹדֶן הַקָּטָן וְהֵנָּה חַחֵל הַנָּגֶף
בְּעַם וְיִתֵּן אֶת הַקִּסְמָה וְכֹפֶר עַל הָעַם וְיִסְמַד בֵּין הַמַּחֲמָה וּבֵין הַחַיִּים
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מחלוקת. מאד מאד יזהר האדם להתרחק ממחלוקת. ואל יתפיהר מיצרו הרע שעושה זאת לשם שמים. כי נקל מאד ליפול ברשת ע"י מחלוקת שיהי' לו חרטה על זה כל ימי חייו ויהי' בכלל מעוות לא יוכל לתקן. ודי גם די מה שאמרו חז"ל כי מחלוקת אחת דוחה מאה פרנסות. והרב הצדיק הקדוש ר' פנחס מקאריץ וצו"קללה אמר כי במקום ששני יהודים מריבים זה עם זה ומולזלים זה את זה נטמא זה המקום סביבם עד ב' מאות אמות. כי תיכף נתמלא זה השטח עם קליפות ושדים משחיתים ומוזיקים וכל העומד שם יכול בנקל להנזק ח"ו:

מחלוקת. אם יש מחלוקת בין איש ואשתי בלי כל סבה נגלית צריך לעיין בהכתובה שלהם אם לא נמצא בה איוו טעות וע"י התיקון של הטעות תתבטל המחלוקת ויהי' שלום ביניהם (לק"ע):

מחלוקת. אדם שנתעורר עליו מחלוקת סגולה שילמוד מסכת סוכה. וזכר לדבר הכתוב תצפנם בסוכה מריב לשונות (לקה"ר):

מחלוקת. שמעתי מפה קדוש החסיד המפורסם ר' שמואל לימבינער ז"ל. שסיפר בשם הרב הצדיק אור ישראל נזרו ותפארתו מרן שמחה בינם וצוקלה"ה מפרשיסחא. שהבעש"ט אמר קודם הסתלקותו שממנו מתחלת הנהגה האחרונה עד ביאת המשיח. כי עשרה מיני רועים נפקדו על ישראל. הלא המה. נביאים. שופטים או זקנים. מלכים. כהנים. תנאים. אמוראים. נשיאים. גאונים. רבנים. והאחרונים הם הצדיקים. וישאל השמן בשמים מה זה מנהיגים צדיקים. הלא כל ישראל מחויבים להיות צדיקים כמ"ש ועמך כלם צדיקים. והשיבו לו שתהיינה כתות חסידים וכל כת יהי' לה ראש ומנהיג אשר יקראו לו בשם צדיק. והוא יורם דרכי חסידות ועבודת השי"ת. והבין חשמן שהענין הזה לא טוב עבורו מאד מאד ואמר שיחגור את עצמו היטב עם כל כחותיו לקטרג תמיד על הצדיקים ולא יתן להם מרגוע. וממילא לא יהי' להם כח להנהיג את הדור. אך בזאת ניאות ליתן לו רשות וכח לחרחר ריב ומדון בין כתות החסידים שלא יתאחדו בשום אופן. רק שכל כת וכת ידברו עתק על המנהיג של כת השני ויכזו אותו תמיד ויסברו שעושים מצוה בזה. ע"כ שמעתי. והנה כל מבין יבין מזה איך שיצא דמחלוקת בוער מאד וביותר בלב החסידים וזאת מעכב את הגאולה:

מכה. לגעשווער פשוט. רפואה בייתית שתליש קמח חמים עם דבש דבורים

דבורים עד שתעשה כמו עיסה רכה. ותניח העיסה על הנגע עד שתרכך ותתבקע ותתרפא מזה:

מכה. לרפאות מכה שיש בה חום גדול עם „אייטער“ ע"י משיחה בייתית. תיקח כף חמאה תפילה ותחמם מעט על האש עד שתהיה צלולה. אח"כ תערב בזה חלמון ביצה ותערב היטב עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. אח"כ תעמיד זאת להצטנן עד שתתקרש. ותסיך המשיחה על סמרטוט נקי ורך והנח על המכה איוה פעמים ותרפא:

מכה. לפתוח מכה שיש בתוכה „אייטער“. רפואה למעך בצל על „רייבאייזען“ ותערב היטב עם בורית צלול הנקרא „גרינער-וויף“ ועם מעט דבש ותחמם על האש ותערב היטב עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. והנח מזה חם על המכה ויפתח מעצמו:

מכה. לרכך את המכה עד שתפתח מעצמה תקנה באפטייק „מערליאטען-פלאסטער“ ותמשוח על סמרטוט נקי ורך ותניח על המכה ב"פ ביום:

מכה. למכה שזב ממנה אייטער ימים רבים שנקרא „פליסטול“ ועומדת על פי רוב סמוך לפי טבעת. נודהגין בין הדמון לעשות רפואה זו. שלוקחין צואה מן תינוק רך היונק שלא אכל עוד שום מאכל. וצואתו אינה מוסרחת. ומושחין זאת על סמרטוט ומניחין על הפליסטול. ואומרים שמועיל זאת יותר מן משיחות הרוכלים:

מכוח. לכל מיני כויה. סגולה שיאמר הנכוה תיכף ומיד בכונה גדולה כל הפסוק של ברכת כהנים יברכך. יאר. ישא. כך יאמר ג"פ וירפא (עכוה"ק):

מכוח. רפואה למכות אש. שתניח איוו חתיכות קטנות סיד חי בקערה ותשפוך עליו מים מנהר. ותרבה המים עד שלא יהי נבלעו בהסיד ע"י הכיבוי. ויהיו המים גבוהים מן הסיד. ואחר איוו שעות יהי נעשה על המים עור לבן דק. תקלוט עם כף של מתכות את העור הדק ותשים בכלי זכוכית נקי ותערב היטב שזה בשוה עם שמן של זרע פשתן הנקרא „ליאנז-עהל“ ותסיך על סמרטוט רך ונקי ותניח על המכוח איוו פעמים ביום וירפא במהרה:

מכוח. בכל מכוח נחוי מקודם למשוך האש מן המכוח. ורפואה לזה להניח קאמפרעסען קרים מן „צונק-וואסער“ שתקנה באפטייק. גם טוב להניח תיכף אחר המכוח מיש חדש ונקי מעורב עם מעט חומץ או מים קרים. ויותר טוב לזה חומץ בארזון שיקנה באפטייק. וגם טוב להניח

להניח תיכף אחר המכוה שפירט של יין שרף מעורב עם מלח דק. ואם אין לך רפואות האלה תערב היטב שתן קר עם חלבון ביצה שוה בשוה ותניח מזה קאמפרעסען קרים על המכוה וישקע האש:

מכוה. רפואה למכות אש. לערב חלבון ביצה עם, "ליאני-עהל" ועם קמח מלח בד בבר ולחמם מעט על האש ולערב היטב עד שיהי נעשה כמו משיחה ולחבוש בזה על המכוה:

מכוה. רפואה בייתית למכוה לערב היטב ע"י הכאה חלבון ביצה עם, "ליאני-עהל" ולטבול בזה סכרשוט נקי ורך ולהניח בכל פעם על המכוה:

מכוה. רפואה טובה למכוה ולכל מכה שיש בה חום גדול. לקחת כף חמאה תפילה ולחמם מעט על האש עד שתעשה צלולה. אה"כ תערב בזה חלבון ביצה. ותערב היטב עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. אה"כ תעמיד זאת במקום צונן עד שתתקרש. ותסיך מן משיחה הזאת על כמרשוט נקי ורך והנח על המכוה ב"פ ביום ותתרא מהר:

מנקת. להרבות חלב בדדים. תאכל האשה מאכלים מתוקים ושמנים. וגם מיני לפת כמו "מיערען" וגם "פאסטערניק" מבושלים ומטוננים בשומן עם, "ציקער" כל אלה מרבים חלב טוב ושמן. ותזהר מלאכול הרבה תפוחי האדמה שנקראים "קארטאפּעל" כי מזה נעשה החלב רזה מאד. ורוב ילדים החולים על המחלה הקשה הנקראת "ענגעלישע-קרענק" סיבת מחלתם היא אכילת ה"קארטאפּעל" במידה מרובה. וגם תזהר מלאכול דברים מלוחים וחריפים וחמוצים ובצלים. כי מזה נולד צרעת בימים. וגם לא תאכל לב שמטמטם את השכל:

מנקת. להרבות חלב בדדי מנקת. רפואה שתבשל, "פּענעכיל-טיי" במים. ותסנן המים ותליש בהם עיסה מן קמח הנקרא, "רעמשינגע-מעהל" ותעשה מן העיסה, "קליסקילעך" ותבשל בחלב ותאכל:

מנקת. להרבות חלב בדדי מנקת. רפואה שתכתוש זרע פשתן הנקרא, "ליאני-שעמין" ותעשה מזה קמח. ותליש הקמח עם רבש דבורים ועם שומשמין. ותגלגל העיסה שלא תהי עבה. ותמנן את העיסה במחבת על האש עם מעט שמן זית ורבש. ואחר דמיגון תחתוך העיסה לחתיכות קטנות. ותאכל מזה איזה פעמים ביום ויתרבה דחלב:

מנקת. המנקת שאיננה רוצה עוד לדניק ודדיה מלאים חלב. תערוב טיט חדש במים ותחבוש על הדדים איזה פעמים

ביום (מ"א):

רפאל אות מ המלאך לא 61

בינקת. המנקה שאיננה רוצה עוד לרניק ורדיה מלאים חלב. תמשות הדדים עם שמן הנקרא „ריצין-עהל“ ותחבוש ממעל עם „וואטע“. ואם הדדים מתחילים לכאוב מן החלב תכתיש אורז הנקרא „ריז“ ותערב במים ותטבול בזה סמרטוטין ותניח על הדדים הרבה פעמים.

מנקת. בצוואת רכנו יהודה החסיד מובא שבאשר תתחיל האשה להניק, את בנה תתחיל להניק מן דדה השמאלית:

מעוברת. סגולה לאשה שלא תפיל. שתשא על צוארה אבן תקומה הנקרא „שמערען-שעס“:

מעוברת. סגולה למעוברת שלא תפיל. שתעשה מפה חדשה לסת-וטיטור המפה הישנה ותחגור בה את בטנה עד זמן הלירה ואח"כ תחזיר המפה ליד מי שנלקחה ממנו:

מעוברת. סגולה לאשה הרגילה להפיל. שתמכור את העיבור בעד כסף:

מעוברת. סגולה לאשה הרגילה להפיל. שתקח קליפת ביצה שיצא ממנה אפרח ותכתוש היטב לאבק והן לה לשתות מעורב באיזה משקה קודם שתתעבר (מ"א):

מעוברת. סגולה למעוברת שתלד בשלום ולא תאונה אליה ולהילד כל רע. שבאשר תגיע לחודש התשיעי תטבול עצמה במקוה כשרה (זכירה):

מעוברת. קמיע למעוברת שלא תפיל הכתוב לשמה על קלף כשר בכתב אשורית כזה.

אדם הדע פתגמא
משה קיים פתגמא
נח טריד לתיבה ויסגור אלהים בעדו

וכאשר תגיע בחצי חודש התשיעי תסיר ממנה הקמיע. והקמיע תתלה עליו בתיק מתחת חלב (דבמ"א):

מעוברת. קמיע למעוברת להשמר מכל רע. הכתוב לשמה על קלף כשר בכתב אשורית קפיטל קב"ו מתהלים אשרי כל ירא ה' וגו'. ותתלה עליו בתיק כמו קמיע ותלד בשלום (ש"ת):

מעוברת. סגולה למעוברת להשמר מכל רע. תקח ג' אלמוגים אדומים טובים ויפים שלא יהיו מנוקבים. והתיבה מזה שמירה שנשארת

מן האפיקומן ומעט מלח. כל זה השיב בכים קטן של פשהן. ותקשור
הכים בכתונת שלה. ותישא זאת עליה כל זמן עיבורה ותלד בשלום
(אמ"ן) :

מעוברת. סגולה שלא תהיה מקשה לילד. שתנשך כשינייה את הפיטום
מן האתרוג ביום הושענא רבה אחר התפילה. וגם תשמר
מאכילת צנון ושאר דברים חריפים בזמן עיבורה :

מעוברת. סגולה שלא תהיה מקשה לילד. שבאשר תגיע לחודש התשיעי
ישתדל הכעל במצות פתיחת הארון והוצאות ספר התורה.
ולבסיף בריך שמייה יוסיף לומר בן, ותשלים משאלין דלבאי ולבא דכל
עמך ישראל ולבא דאנתתי (פכ"פ) דתפתח ית מיעהא בעגלא בלא קשיותא
כמה דתפתח ית פתחא דארונא קדישא בעגלא בלא קשיותא. ותלד זרעא
קיימא למב ולחיין ולשלם אמן ואמן" (בקבלה) :

מעוברת. סגולה למעוברת שלא תהי' מקשה לילד. שתזהר לאכול בכל
מוצאי שבת קודש איזה מאכל. ותזכיר בפירוש בפיה. שאוכלת
לשם מצות סעודת מלוה מלכה שהיא סעודת דוד המלך עליו השלום. כך
הוא בקבלה מאת הצדיק הגדול מרן אלימלך זצוקלה"ה מליזענסק :

מעוברת. סגולה למעוברת שלא תשלוט בה ולא בולדה עין הרע. שתאמר
בכל יום י"א פסיקים הידועים שמתחילים באות נו"ן ומסיימין
באות נו"ן. כמו שנרפס בהמעמדות של יום ראשון. וגם תאמר התפלה
הנרפסת שם אחר הי"א פסוקים :

מעוברת. מעוברת שאינה מרגשת את הולד במעיה. רפואה שתאכל
בכל יום הרבה שקדים מתוקים :

מקשה לילד. סגולה להתפלל עליה הקפוטל למנצח מזמור לדוד יענך
ה' ביום צרה וגו' תשעה פעמים בלשון נקבה. ואח"כ יאמר
את האשה פכ"פ אין אנחנו יודעים מה לעשות לך עוד. אלא מאן דעני
לאמך בקשיותה הוא יענה ויושיע לך בקשיותך. אמן סלה :

מקשה לילד. סגולה להתפלל עליה מזמור כ"ב מתהלים למנצח על
אילת השחר וגו' בכוונה גדולה שבע פעמים :

מקשה לילד. סגולה לקרוא לזה האיש שהיה בעל מפטיר כיום א'
דר"ה ויבוא ויעמוד אצל מזוזת הפתח של החדר שנמצאת בו
המקשה לילד. ויניח זה האיש את ידו על המזוזה ויקרא ג"פ הפסוק וה'
פקד את שרה וגו' עד למועד אשר דבר אתו אלהים. ויכוון בכל שם
הוי"ה ב"ה את הניקוד של צא אקה בזה יתנה. ואח"כ יקרא ההפטרות של

יום א' דר"ה. ואם קשה למצוא את הבעל מפטיר יכול איש אחד לעשות זאת הסגולה וגם הבעל בעצמו יכול לעשות זאת הסגולה :

מקשה לילד. סגולה לקרוא לאיש בן תורה. ויכול להיות גם הבעל בעצמו. ויניח את ידו על המזוזה של חדר המקשה לילד ויקרא את כל ההפטירה מן פרשת שופטים. ואח"כ יקראו באזון המקשה לילד את הפסוק "מיהר צועה להפתח ולא ימות לשחת ואל יחסרו לחמה" וגם את הפסוק "וירדו כל עבדיך אלה אלי והשתחוו לי לאמר צא אתה וכל העם אשר ברנציק ואחרי כן אצא ויצא צא צא בשם אהיה אשר אהיה ה' אלהי ישראל כלי כאבין וחבלין. אמן סלה :

מקשה לילד. סגולה שתשים המילדת אם היא אשה צנועה או אשה אחרת בעלת מעשים טובים את ידה הימנית על בטן המקשה לילד ותאמר עם המקשה לילד שבע פעמים מלה במלה את הפסוק "והוא כחתן יוצא מחופתו ישיש כגבור לרוץ אורח" :

מקשה לילד. סגולה לכתוב על קערת חרס קטנה חרשה את השמות האלה ותעמיד הקערה על טבורה. ומיד כשיצא הולד יסירו ממנה הכלי פן יצאו מעיה. וזהו הנוסח "חוק חק חרש צום" (כ"ז מספר ת"א מ"א ועוד) :

מקשה לילד. ואלה הסגולות והרפואות המועילות אם ניתנים לה לשתות מהם (א) ליתן לה בכל רובע שעה כף חלב מדדי אשה מנקת. ויותר טוב לערוב בהחלב לובן ביצה חיה וליתן לה לשתית. (ב) ואם יש לחוש שמת הולד בקרבה וצדיכה להפיל. יחממו חלב אשה עם דבש על האש עד שיעשה צלול ויתנו לה לשתות כף אחת בכל רובע שעה. (ג) לערב צואת סוס יבשה ביין או במים וליתן לה לשתות בלי ידיעתה. ויצא תיכף הולד אפילו אם מת ח"ו. (ד) להמס חמשה לויט "ציקער" בתוך כוס גדול מים וליתן לה מזה לשתות בכל פעם כמה שתוכל. (ה) ליתן בפיה חתיכת אפיקומן שתתפוס אותה בין שיניה. ואחר הלידה תוציא תיכף מפיה החתיכה. (ו) לקחת צואה יבשה ולבנה של יונים בערך כף אחת ולעשן אותה מתחתיה עם חצי כף. והשאר חצי כף לבשל ביין וליתן לה לשתות ותלד מיד. (ז) אם חלב אשה בדבש אינו מועיל להפיל הילד. יקחו חלב כלבתא ויערבו עם דבש על האש ויתנו לה כף אחת בכל רובע שעה ויצא הולד מיד אפי' אם מת ח"ו. (ח) או תקנה באפמייק עשב הנקרא בלשון ליטיין "סאבינא" ותבשל במים ותשתה ותפיל הולד. (ט) לערב בערך חצי כף קטון מאפר צפרדע שרופה וליתן לה לשתות מעורב ביין

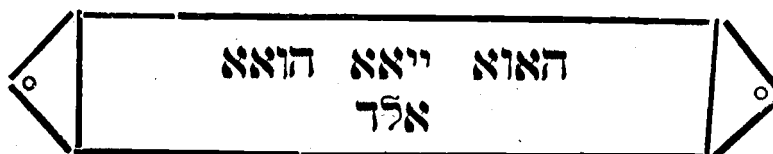
או במים ותלד מיד. (י) עוד סגולה לעשן אותה מתחתיה עם חרדל. (כ"א)
מספר ת"א מ"א ועוד):

מקשה לילד. אם מת הולד בבטנה ח"ו והיא מקשה לילד. סגולה לקחת כוס גדול מלא מים שתוקים בידך ואמור על המים לפני המקשה לילד זה הלחש. "שלשה מלאכים נחתו מן שמיא ועמהן תלת שרביטין. חד חיורא חד אוכמא חד סומקא. חיורא פליק ומחא לשמיא ואתא מיטרא. סוכקא מחא לימא בשרביטא ופלגיתני. ואוכמא מחא לסיטרא. רפב"פ ואתיא מולדתא ושלייתא בשלם". אה"כ תשתה המקשה לילד מן מים האלה כפי רצונה. ולצורך גדול שהיא מקשה לילד ויש לפחד מסכנה מותר לעשות סגולה זו אף אם הולד חי ויועיל בעזרת השי"ת (ת"א):

מקשה לילד. קמיע למקשה לילד. כתוב תמונה זו של השמות האלה לשם האשה. והרגילה להיות מקשה לילד יכין הבעל עבודה קמיע זו בהגיע חידש התשיעי. והכותב יאמר. "הריני כותב קמיע הזאת בשעתא מכתא בגדא טבא לאסוותא מן שמיא עבור האשה פב"פ דתוחי למילד בלי הבלין וכאבין זרעא חייא וקיימא. אמן סלה". ותקשור הקמיע על מצחה עם ב' חוטין שיהיו הכתב כלפי חוץ. וצריך לכתוב על קלף כשר בכתיבה תמה עם תגין ושרטיט. וזהו הנוסח. (ת"א)



מקשה לילד. הא לך עוד נוסח של קמיע למקשה לילד. להתנהג כנ"ל בקמיע הקודמת ולקשור על מצחה. הכל כנ"ל.



קמיע זה נתגלה לי מן השמים. ואני מזהיר מאד באזהרה גדולה לבל יהיו כל

צא איש להשתמש בקמיע הזה. מלבד זה אשר ידע ויבין סוד הצירוף של שלש השמות האלה:

משוגע. למשוגעת ורוח רעה. סגולה להעמיד החולה תחת אילן לזו או תחת אילן „אשעצא“ ולגזוז שערות ראשו ולחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו ותעשה נקב באילן עם מקדח רחב ותתחוב השערות עם הצפורנים בתוך החור ותתקע את החור עם „פלעקיל“ של עץ בסתימה חזקה. ותאמר „הא לכם חלקכם. וכשם שהשערות והצפורנים לא יחזרו לעולם אל החולה הזה כן לא תחזור לעולם מחלה הזאת על החולה הזה“. וצריף לקשור את עיני החולה שלא יראה את האילן ויחזור עמו לביתו. ואם אין ביכולת לקחת את החולה תחת האילן. תיקח חוט המדידה שלו עם שערות ראשו וצפורני ידיו ורגליו ותכרך עם החוט בתוך שעות הנקרא „ארע-וואקס“ ותלך אל אילן ותעשה חור באילן כנ"ל ותאמר כנ"ל ותחזור לביתה ואל תסתכל אחריו (אמ"ן):

משוגע. סגולה למשוגע. לתת לו לאכול מבשר נבלת תרנגולת שמתה מעצמה (בקבלה):

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נגע צרעת. לנקות דם הגוף כדי לגרש הנגעים והצרעת. רפואה לשנות בכל בקר ג' חדשים מן ה' עד עשר מיפות „טערפאנטין“ מעורב בחלב:

נגע צרעת. לכל מיני נגעים ופצעים רפואה לערב היטב כף „גלייט“ עם כף „בליווייס“ עם כף שמן זית „פראוואנס“ עם חלמן ביצה ולסיך את הנגעים ב' פעמים ביום:

נגע צרעת. לנגעים ופצעים באוזן או באצבע מחמת קרירות שנתקררו רפואה לחמם על האש שמן פשתן עם שעות שוה בשוה אח"כ תקחם מן האש שלא יהיו חמין כל כך. ואז תערב בזה חלמוני ביצים לפי ערך כמות השעות או השמן פשתן שיהיו הג' מינים חלקים שוים. ותערב היטב עד שיהי' נעשה כמו משיחה. ותמשח מזה על סמרטוט רך ונקי והנח על הפצעים ב' פעמים ביום:

נגע צרעת. לנגעים הנקראים „לישייעס“. רפואה לחמם כף אחת חמאה תפילה ולערוב עם ב' חלבוני ביצים ולהכות התערובות

היטב

היטב עד שתיעשה הכל כמו חמאה. ותמשח בזה הננעים ב' פעמים ביום:
נגע צרעת. לצרעת „לישיי“ שהוא יבש ואינו מוציא ליחה כלל: רפואה
 להניח בתנור עץ לח בין עצים יבשים ותדליק העצים
 ויסיף מיץ מן עץ הלח. אז תניח לשם חתיכה „וואטי“ שיבלע את המיץ
 ותמשח בזה את ה„לישיי“:

נגע צרעת. לצרעת הפנים. רפואה לקחת צואת יונים יבשה שיש לה
 מראה לבן. ותבשל עם חלב כבש עד שתעשה כמו משיחה
 ותמשח על סמרטוט רך ונקי והנח על הפנים על כל הלילה. ותחבוש
 ממעל עם „וואטי“. כן תעשה איוו לילות. וזאת תמשוך מן הפנים כל
 הוזהמא ויצהל הפנים (מ"א):

נגע צרעת. לצרעת על הגוף הנקרא „לישייעם“. רפואה לערוב דכש
 דבורים עם נפט עם „דזיעגישט“ מווקק שיקנה באפטייק.
 הכל שוה בשוה. ויחמם על האש ויערוב היטב ויניח להצטנן. ויסיך בזה
 את הלישייעם ב"פ ביום:

נחש. לנשיכת נחש ח"ו. סגולה מן הגמרא שימחר האדם להתקדם לרוץ
 לשתות מים מן נהר. טרם שיתקדם הנחש לרוץ אל מים. ועי"ו
 ימות הנחש ויחי האדם:

נחש. הנישא בחגורתו ראש נחש לא יוכל איש להרע לו (ש"א):
ניחור. לניחור הקול שקורין „היוזעריג“. רפואה לבשל סובין של חיטים
 כמים. ואח"כ תניח המים שיצולו ותסננם ע"י מפה. ותבשל בהם
 תאנים עם „לאקריץ“ ותשתה מזה איזה גלעזער בכל יום יום כמו ששותין
 מיי חמה:

ניחור. לניחור הקול. רפואה למשוח הגרון עם „גרינעם=זייף“ ולחבוש
 ממעל עם „וואטע“ את כל הגרון מסביב:

ניחור. לניחור הקול. רפואה לכתוש „קאנדיל-ציקער“ ולערוב היטב כף
 אחת עם חלמון ביצה. אח"כ ישים זאת בתוך חצי „גלאז“ חלב
 חם. ויערב וישתה חם. כך יעשה ג"פ ביום. איזה ימים:

ניחור. לניחור הקול. רפואה לשתות „בריסט-טיי“ עם חלב ועם „קאנדיל-
 ציקער“ כמה פעמים:

ניחור. לניחור הקול רפואה לבשל קדרה מים וליתן בתוכה כף קמח
 „טערפאגטין“ טוב. ולסכב את פי הקדירה עם נייר עב מעט, באופן
 שיהי נעשה מלמעלה נקב צר אשר על ידו יוצא הקיטור מן הקדרה.
 והחולה יפתח את פיו וישאף בקרבו הקיטור החם הזה. וירפא:

נכפה. רפואה לחולי נפול רח"ל . תקח „גליאז“ וחצי טים חמין מבושלים ותערב בהם ב' כפות „קאלי-בראטאטי“ עם כף אחת „קאלי-יאדאטי“ שתקנה באפטיק . וישתה החולה מזה ג' כפות בכל יום . כן יעשה איזה חדשים ויוטב לו :

נכפה. רפואה לחולי נפול רח"ל . שתבשל ג' גלעזער טים עם ב' כפות עשב „רוטא“ וכף אחת עשב „ארניק“ ועם לויט א' שורש „ראדיקס-ארמעמיזא“ ולויט א' שורש „ראדיקס-וואלעריאן“ שתקנה באפטיק . וישתה החולה מזה „גליאז“ אחד בבקר וגליאז אחד בצהרים וגליאז אחד בלילה כמו ששותין טיי עם צוקער ויוטב לו . גם רפואה זו צריך לעשות זמן ארוך :

נכפה. רפואה לחו"נ בילדים . ליתן לו בכל בקר ה' טפות שמן „לאוואנדי“ שתקנה באפטיק . מעורב עם כף חלב . רק שצריך לבקש שהשמן יהי נקי בלי תערובות דברים מזויפים (מ"א) :

נכפה. רפואה לחו"נ שיבלע בכל בקר ט' גרעינים זרע חרדל (מ"א) :

נכפה. סגולה לחו"נ בתינוק להניח בעריסה תחת הכר מראשותיו ט' חתיכות ברזל :

נכפה. רפואה לחו"נ בתינוקות . שתקנה באפטיק „בורשטין-עהל“ וליתן להתינוק בכל בקר ג' טפות מן השמן הזה מעורב בחלב אמו על כף כסף טחור או על כף זהב טחור . וגם צריך לסוך את ראש התינוק על המוח במקום הרך עם ה' טפות מן השמן הזה בכל יום . וגם ימשח עם שמן הזה את ב' הדופקים מן ב' כפות ידיו . וגם בשעת הכפיה טוב לסוך כן (מ"א) :

נכפה. רפואה וגם סגולה לחו"נ . להמאים את המחלה בהאכיל להחולה דברים נמאסים . והם לצלות כבד מן חמור או בשר מן חמור וליתן להחולה לאכול . או ליקח שליט מן חזיר שילדה פעם ראשונה . או שליט מן שונרא אוכמתא תקח תיכף אחר שילדה ותייבשנה עד שתהי קשה ותכתוש אותה לאבק ותתן להחולה לשתות מעורב במשקה . או שתערב האבק עם קמח ותלוש עונה ותאפה ותתן להחולה לאכל . וגם טוב ליתן לשור לשתות בקערה גדולה . ומה שינטוף מפה השור רירין וטפות מים לתיך הקערה תתן להחולה לשתות וירפא :

נכפה. סגולה לחו"נ . שתלך עם החולה ותעמידהו תחת אילן לוויט או תחת אילן הנקרא „אשעצא“ ותעשה נקב באילן עם מקדח למעלה מראש החולה ותחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו . וגם תגוזו מעט שערות מן כל מקומות

שיער שבגופו. ותתחוב הכל בחור האילן ותאמר, הא לכם חלקכם. **אדכ** תסתום הנקב היטב עם, פלעקעל צר וחוק ותאמר, כשם שהשערות והצפורנים האלה לא יחזירו עוד על החולה. כך לא תחזור עוד על החולה פב"פ מחלת הנכפה מעתה ועד עולם אמן סלה נצח ועד. וצריך לקשור עיני החולה שלא יראה כלל את האילן (אמ"ן):

נכפה. אם אי אפשר לקחת את החולה תחת האילן ימדוד את החולה עם חוט לבן של, בוימוואל מאמצע ראשו עד עקבו ויחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו ויגזוז מעט שערות מן מקומות שיער שבגוף החולה וידבק כל זה עם חתיכה שעוה הנקרא, יארע-וואקס וילך אל אילן ויעשה נקב עם מקדח ויניח שם השעוה ויאמר, הא לכם חלקכם ויסתום תיכף הנקב היטב עם, פלעקעל צר וחוק ויאמר כנ"ל. וילך לביתו ואל יביט לאחוריו:

נכפה. סגולה לחו"נ. שילך החולה למקום שמונח שם אדם מת קורם הקבורה ויקח את יד המת בידו ויאמר לו בזה הלשון, איך בעדמ איך נעמט ביי מיר צו די שלאפקייט פון די נכפה. איך וועט עם נישט שאדען און מיר וועט איהר טוהן אטובה אח"כ יקיף החולה עם יד המת על בשר החזה שלו ג"פ ויבקש ממנו מחילה וילך אל ביתו (ח"ס):

נכפה. סגולה לחו"נ. לעשן את החולה עם כרבלתו של תרנגול תיכף לאחה השחיטה. וגם סגולה לעשיו עם לב דג חי. כן תעשה איזה פעמים (ת"א):

נכפה. קמיע לילד הנכפה מספר ת"א. לכתוב על קלף כשר במורה נוסח הזה בכתב אשורית עם התנין ויתר דיני קמיע.

אין קן נש בג חע יק שת נהוריא
ישלח רפואה וינצל וותנצל הילד פ' (והילדה פ')
הנולד (והנולדה) מן האשה פ' הנקוע מכל מיני חולי
הנופל וחולי הנכפה מעתה ועד עולם אמן סלה נצח ועד

וועיין בסוף הספר דינים וכללים של כתיבת קמיע יניח הקמיע בתיק של מתכות המכוסה עם עור דק ויתלה על צוואר הילד החולה וירפא בעזרה שית:

נכפה. סגולה נפלאה לחו"נ מאת המגיד מקאזיניץ וי"ע כפי שקבלתי איש מפי איש שעשה סגולה זו ופעלה היטב. תעשה בית יד

קטנה של ה' אצבעות הנקרא, הענטשקילע"ן מן עור דק של מראה לבן הנקרא, ווייס-יארחי"ן ולמלאות חמש האצבעות אגודל אצבע אמה קמיצה זרת כזה. אצבע האגודל תמלא עם אוזב מאדן ישראל. האצבע תמלא עם אבנים קטנות לבנות כמראה ברד הנמצאות בקורקבן. מתרנגול לזכר ומתרנגולת לנקבה. אצבע האמה תמלא עם ששים מחטים קטנים. אצבע הקמיצה תמלא עם פרורים קטנים של חלבנה הנקרא, מיינולסקויט". אצבע הזרת תמלא עם קנה כסף חי. ואת הכף יד תמלא עם עשב, רוטא". וגם תקח אגוז ותבקיע אותו לשנים ותוריק המאכל ותמשח את השפות של ב' חצאי הקליפות עם זפת רך ותשים בחצי קליפה אחת ג' שקדים מרים, ג' פילין שנקרא, פֶּעֶפֶר"ן וג' פירין מלח. ותתפוס עכביש חי ותניח אותו בחצי קליפה השנית כשהוא עדיין חי. ותיכף תדבק ב' חצאי הקליפות שיהי' כמו אגוז שלם. וגם תכרוך את האגוז עם חוט מסביב ותקשור החוט היטב כדי שלא יתפרדו הקליפות. ותניח את האגוז בין ה"רוטא" בתוך הכף יד של הבית יד. אח"כ תקשור את הבית יד במקום הפתוח עם חוט אדום ותתלה על צואר החולה באופן שדבית יד יבוא על הגומא אשר תחת הלב. ואז יאמר בן. "דאס איז אכגולה פון קאזניצער מגיד ישראל בן פעריל זכר צדיק לברכה אז דו חולי נופל זאל דא קיין שליטה נישט האַבען". ובכל ערב ראש חודש צריך להכין אגוז אחרת כראשונה וליקח האגוז מן הבית יד ולזורקה לבית הכסא ותיכף להניח בתוך הבית יד אגוז החדשה. סגולה זו בדוקה ומנוסה רק לבלתי לשנות מזה מאומה ותועיל בעזה שית':

נכפה. אזהרות לחולי נופל רח"ל.

יזהר שלא יכעוס. ואל יראה פני המת. וגם לא יצא אחרי מיטת המת. ולא ישמע כלי זמר ולא קול רחיים: אל מרחץ חם לא יבוא. וגם אל בית האופה לא יבוא בשעת האפיה. טבילה מזקת לו רק יעשה לו אמבטאות פושרין. ויזהר שלא יאכל לחם חם. ולא יאכל לחם שחור. ולא גבינה. ולא בשר בקר. ראש בהמה ראש עוף וראש דג אל יאכל לעולם. לא ישתה שום משקה חזק שיש בתוכו, אַלכאָהאַל"ן ולא שום חומץ ולא קאווין ולא טיי. רק ישתה מים קרים מבושלים. ויותר טוב המים שנכבה בהם ברזל, שטאַהל"ן המלובן באש. ויסרם עצמו מתשמיש כל מה דאפשר. ויאכל בכל בקר בהקיצו משנתו טרם שיקים ממטתו. ואסור בתענית. וביום הכפורים יתנהג כדיון חולה שיש בו סכנה. ואם אינו יודע בעצמו הדין יעשה שאלת חכם.

נכפה. מי שיש לו חולי נופל רח"ל יוחר שיהי' לו בכיסו תמיד מלח דק. וכאשר אך מתחיל להרגיש שהמחלה באה יתפוס תיכף כף מלח וישים בפיו ויבלע עם מים ועי' יחלש כח המחלה:
נפוח. לכל מיני נפוח עם כאב העצם. רפואה טובה לקנות באפטיק השורש הנקרא, וזווא-קאשטש" ולחתכו על חתיכות קטנות ולטגנו היטב עם שומן חזיר עד שלא יהי' צלול כל כך רק מעובה ולעשות מזה, חלאדנעס" חמות בתוך כים של פשתן ולהניח על מקום הכאב כמה פעמים ויועיל בעזרת השי"ת:

נפוח. לכל נפוח רפואה בייתית לסוך במקום הנפוח עם שמן, קאמפאר:
נפוח. במקומות שאין אפטיק נמצא יכול לעשות הרפואה של ההמון למבול סמרטוט במימי רגלי הקטנים ולהניח פעם אחר פעם על מקום הנפוח. ולפעמים מועיל זאת:

נפוח. סגולה לנפוח הבטן לבשל בכלי חרס חדש שמן זית טוב ובשעת הבישול ישים בו ב' או ג' צפרדעים חיים ויבשל השמן עד שהצפרדעים יהיו נימוחים ויהי' נעשה כמו משיחה. וימשח בזה השמן את בטן החולה. ועי' תתמשך הנפיחה מן הבטן אל תוך הרגלים. ואז יסוך גם את הרגלים ותלך הנפיחה משם לגמרי (ת"א):

נפוח. על פי רוב יבוא הנפוח מחמת עיכוב יציאת מי רגלים כראוי ע"י מחלת הכליות או ע"י מחלת הלב. ונצרך לזה רופא מומחה שיכיר סבת המחלה וידע איזו רפואה ליתן:

נפוח. לכמה מיני נפוח שיש בהם חום. רפואה להניח, קאמפרעסין קרים מן תערובות ב' כפות חומץ, באראווי" בתוך גלאן מים קרים:

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סגולות. בענין נתינת סגולות לחולים ולענינים אחרים ראיתי להעיר ולהודיע בי יש בזה סודות עמוקים. וכל מי שאינו בקי בחכמות ובקבלה ובורה סגולות חדשות מלבו אשר לא יועילו ולא יצלחו הוא מקלקל את האמונה ומבזה את התלמידי חכמים. ואף הסגולות הגדפסות בספרים מגדולי עולם. וכן מה שאני לקטתי הרבה מהם והצנתי בספרי זה. אם יאמר אותן איש בער אשר לא ידע מה הוא סג. יש ספק גדול אם יועילו מאומה. כי מלבד שצרך להיות לו ידיעה. העיקר היותר

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היותר גדול הוא שהסגולה תצא מן פה קדוש שלומד תורה. ויש לו הכח של בחינת מלכות פה ותורה שבעל פה קרינן לה. שעל זה אמרו חז"ל מאן מלכי רבנן. והנני נותן לך רמז על זה האותיות **מנסעפצקרשת** שהן ראשי תיבות האלה. *מי *נותן *סגולה *עזה. *פה *צדיק *קדוש *רב *של *תורה:

סכנה. דגים ובשר. דגים וחלב. לא מבעיא ביחד אלא אפילו בזה אחר זה בלי שום הפסק אסור משום סכנה. ושאר דברים שהם סכנה מובאים בספר זכירה, וביותר בספח הנעים, תו יהושע: **סכנה.** כל הדברים שאין ממצעין ואין מתמצעין משום סכנה אם הולך ומקלו בידו אין לחוש משום סכנה (בקבלה):

סכנה. ק"ל דחמירא סכנתא מאיסורא. אבל לענין בלוע הוא להיפוך דבאיסורא אוסרת בלוע ובסכנתא אין בלוע אוסרת (פוסקים).

סכנה: לסכנה גדולה בדרך יזכיר אלו השמות שמסר יעקב אבינו לבניו בשעת פטירתו. וצוה להם שלא ישתמשו בזה רק במקום סכנה גדולה. ובכח זה ניצל יעקב מעשו אחיו. וכך יאמר: רבון העולמים אנא בשם **ר'חש ת'מך ש'ת ר'חום ה'נין ש'די ת'קוף מ'ציל פ'ודה ש'ומר ת'מים ש'תעשה ל'י נס במהרה ברחמיך הרבים ותצילני מפכנה הזאת** אמן סלה נצח ועד. (כך מובא במדת"ל ובמ"א):

סכנה. במקום סכנה יאמר, אנא בשם י"י אלהים צבאות אלהי ישראל ובשם מ"ס מ"ס נ"ס שאנצל מכל צרה וסכנה אמן סלה נצח ועד" (מדת"ל):

סכנה: כשרואה שעומד בסכנה מחמת שונאים שבאים עליו מרחוק יאמר בזה הלשון. פגעתי אויבי וראיתי אותם והם לא יראוני. אני אמשול בהם והם לא ימשלו בי. דבריהם יהיו לארץ ודברי יהיו עליהם. ראשם ראש חמור וראשי ראש אריה. לשונם לשון חזיר ולשוני לשון מלך. שלייתי דאימיחד בפומהון. ויהך ישמרני. שדי יצילני. **מפמפיה** יהיה בינינו. כך יאמר ג"פ. (מדת"ל):

סכנה. בראותך אויבים באים עליך תאמר ג' פסוקים האלה. אתח סתר לי מצר תצרני רני פלט תסובבני סלה. במחו בה' עדי עד כי ביה י"י צור עולמים. י"י עוז לעמו יתן ה' יברך את עמו בשלום אח"כ יאמר השם אבי היוצא מן איתיות הראשונות של ג' פסוקים האלה. (ל"ש):

סכנה. להנצל מלסמים וחיות רעות. תאמר ג"פ הפסוק, עזי וזמרת יה ויהי לי לישועה ואח"כ תאמר, זה אלי ואנוהו אלהי אבי וארוממנהו ה' איש מלחמה ה' שמו. שלום עלי ועל כל ישראל אמן
מלה נצח ועד" (ל"ש):

סכנה. שלא יוכלו אויבים להרע לך. סגולה שתשא בחגורתך ראש נחש וגם סגולה שתקשור עין של תרנגול בצד ימינך. (ל"ש):

סכנה. סגולה להנצל מכלי זיין. שתעשה סם קטון של כסף עגולה כמו מטבע קטנה ותחקוק עליו בכתיבה בולטות כזה. **מכבי הושיעני.** ותעשה נקב או און בהמס ותקשור בו חוט ותשאנו עליך ולא תירא מכלי זיין (מדת"ל):

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עגונה. סגולה לאשה שבעלה ברח ממנה והניחה עגונה שתקרא כתובתה בכל יום מלה במלה בבקר ובערב חודש ימים. ואם אינה יכולה לקרות יקרא אחר לפניה מלה במלה והיא תשמע היטב ותאמר אחריו מלה במלה. (בקבלה):

עין הרע. סגולה לעין הרע. תשפוך מים שתוקים בקערה וקת ו' נחלים לוחשות ותאמר על כל אחד הפסוק, ויצעק העם אל משה ויתפלל משה אל ה' ותשקע האש". ואחר שיאמר הפסוק ישליך נחלת אחת אל הקערה. כך יעשה ו' פעמים. וטוב לכיין בכל פעם שאומר הפסוק בשם אַנְגֶּלָה. ואח"כ תתן להחולה למעום מעט מאותן המים. וגם תרחץ פניו עם החזה וכפות ידיו עם הדופקים במים האלה והשאר תשפוך ותועיל זאת בעזר השי"ת (זכירה):

עין הרע. להנצל מעין הרע הן סוחר בחנותו הן מעוברת ועוד כדומה מי שמתירא שלא יתנו לי עין הרע. סגולה לומר בכל יום י"א פסוקים הידועים שמתחילים באות נו"ן ומסיימין באות נו"ן. ואח"כ יתפלל התפלה הנדפסת במעמדות של יום ראשון אחר אותן י"א פסוקים:

עין הרע. סגולה לעין הרע משם רב יהודאי גאון ז"ל. קח שתי קצרות קטנות נקיות. באחת התן מים זכים ובאחת שמן זית וך. ותאמר עליהם. ה' אל שדי צבאות עמנו משגב לנו אלהי יעקב סלה (ג"פ) ה' אל שדי צבאות אשרי אדם בוטח בך (ג"פ) ה' אל שדי צבאות הושיעה

הנ"ל יעננו ביום קראנו (ג"פ). אח"כ תטבול ב' אצבעות האצבע והזרת בתוך השכין ותמיה ב' טפות בתוך המים. ובשעת ההטפה תאמר. בשם גבריאל בשם מיכאל בשם רפאל אני עושה זה. וכשם שאלו הטפות נאברות ומתבטלות במים כך יתבטלו ויאבדו כל מכאב וכל חולי וכל עין הרע מן פב"פ אמן סלה". אח"כ השפך היכף המים לארץ בכח חזק (עה"ק). (ועיין עוד בסוף הספר בשער הלחשים):

עינים. לעינים ארומות מחמת חום. רפואה לקחת באפטייק חצי קואטיריל "רוזין-וואסער" ותשים בהם מעט "ניקס" כתוש בערך אגוז קטנה ותעמוד עד שיהיה נמוח ותטבול בזה סמרטוט רך ונקי והנח בכל פעם על העין הכואב. וכאשר תתחמם הסמרטוט תטבול מחדש במים האלה ותניח על העין:

עינים. לעינים ארומות מחמת חום. רפואה לקחת לובן ביצה עם יין שרף ממוצע שוה בשוה. ותערב היטב ותטבול בזה סמרטוט רך ונקי ותניח בכל פעם על עין הכואב:

עינים. רפואה טובה ובהינה לעינים ארומות מחמת חום. שהקח מים מבושלים חצי קואטיריל והנח בהם חצי "קלעציל" צוקער וגם מעט "ניקס" בערך הצוקער וגם ששה "נעגילעך" בושם ויעמוד כך יום שלם במקום חם מכוסה היטב. ובכל ג' שעות יערב את המים עם כף נקי. ואחר המעת לעת תסנן את המים על ידי מפה בקבוק. ויהיה לך לרפואה. ולפעמים די לרפא את העין על ידי טיפה אחת מן המים האלה:

עינים. לעינים ארומות מחמת חום. רפואה להניח קאמפרעסען חמין מן מים שנתערב בהן "בורזויערין". על חצי גלאן מים נצרך כף קטנה עם "בורזויערין":

עינים. לכאב גבות עינים מחמת שיעורה הנקרא גערשטין. רפואה להניח פת של קמח סולת הנשרה בחלב:

עינים. לכאב בשר הסובב את העין ממחלת הנקרא "טראחאמא". רפואה לקחת חצי קואטיריל מים מבושלים ותשים מהם מעט "קאמפאר" בערך אגוז קטן. וגם "ניקס" בערך כזה. וגם "בלאח-שטיין" בערך כזה. ותשרה כל זה בהמים טעה לעת שלם. ותערב בכל פעם את המים. ואחר המעת לעת תסנן את המים בנקיות גדולה. ותטבול בזה בכל פעם סמרטוט רך ונקי ותניח כמה פעמים על העין. וגם תשים מזה בעין בכל יום טיפה אחת:

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עינים. סגולה שלא יבוא לידי כאב עינים. להעביר את הציצית על

עיניו בשעת נישוק את הציצית בקריאת שמע (האריז"ל):

עינים. סגולה לכאב עינים. הסתכלות על דבר מצוה דהיינו שלהבת.

נרות חנוכה. ואתרג וציצית. ואותיות הספר תורה בשעת

הגבהה. ומאור הלבנה לפני קידושה:

עינים. סגולה ורפואה לעינים כואבות. להסתכל על מי נהר בבקר בבקר

כאשר האויר צח אחרי זריחת השמש. וזאת מחזק כח הראות

של העינים (אבן עזרא):

עינים. יש מין חולאת של עינים הנקראת „עורת-התרנגולים“. והוא

שלעת הערב כאשר התרנגולים הולכים לישון נעשה זה האיש

עור ואינו רואה כלום, אף על פי שאינו מרגיש שום כאב בעינים.

רפואה וגם סגולה לזה לקנות כבד של בהמה. מזכר לזכר ומנקבה

לנקבה. ולבשל הכבד בכלי רחב. והחולה יחזיק את פניו עם עינים

פתוחות על ה„פארי“ החמה היוצא מן הבישול. כן יעמוד עד שיתבשל

הכבד. ואח"כ יאכל את הכבד וירפא:

עשירות. סגולה לעשירות. לענג את השבת כדאיתא בגמרא. ולהזהר

לקדש ולהבדיל על היין:

עשירות. סגולה לעשירות. לתת מעשר מן כל הרוחים אשר ירויח.

כמו שדרשו חז"ל עה"פ עשר תעשר. עשר בשביל שתתעשר:

עשירות. סגולה לעשירות. מצות סנדקאות שהיא מעשירה כמו קטורת:

עשירות. סגולה לעשירות. שיפריש בכל יום מבגד לצדקה בשעה

שאומר בתפלת שחרית ואתה מושל בכל ובידך כח וגבורה.

וכשהולך לביהכ"נ להתפלל יכין לעצמו בכיסו מטבע על זה ויקחנה בידו

בשעה שאמר ואתה מושל בכל ויפרשנה לצדקה. ואחר התפלה יניחנה

לאיזו צדקה או יתננה לעני הנמצא ראשון. ומי שהיא בעל מוח יכוין

בהשם הקדוש בוכו היוצא מן הר"ת של בכל ובין כח וגבורה שהוא

בגים ירך ועל זה נאמר ובידך כח וגבורה. וגם ע"ז כתוב פותח את

ירך. וצריך לשלב אותו עם השם אהיה שהוא מקורו. כמובא בספר

הקדוש שער היחודים:

אות פ

פאקין ומאזלין. רכושנה לרקל כחלת הפאקין ומאזלין ליתן להחולת

לאכול

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לאכול מרקחת מן קליפות אתרג. וגם ליתן לו לשתיית חלב כוס הנקרא „קאמיס“:

פאקין. להקל השווענדזעני מן הפאקין. רפואה לסוף אותם עם שמן שקדים ב' חלקים מעורב עם חלק אחד שמן—„מיענטא“:

פאקין. להקל השווענדזעני מן הפאקין. רפואה ליתן עליהם „רייז“ פודער ובפרט על הפנים טוב מאד רפואה זאת:

פאדאגרא. לכאב הנקרא „פאדאגרא“ בלשון ליטיין ומובא גם כן במדרש והיא מחלת כאב כפות הרגלים עם נכוח בקרסילים

וגם באצבעות הרגלים. רפואה לקחת מיט חדש ולקנות באפטטיק חומץ באראווי ולערב היטב בתוך השיט ולהניח זה השיט על מקום הכאב:

פאדאגרא. לכאב הפאדאגרא. רפואה לקחת רובע ליטרא „יצלאוויץ“ ב' לויט „אינגבער“ יבש. ב' לויט „ציטווער“ יבש. ותכתוש

הכל דק כקמח שתנפה האבק ע"י נפה. ותקח קדרה חדשה של חרס הנקרא „גלאזירט“ ותחמם בה רובע ליטרא חמאה חדש עם קווארטירל

שפירט של יין שרף. אח"כ תשים האבק בהקדירה ותכסה עם מכסה טוב ותניח אבן על הכיסוי ותעמיד הקדרה על אש קל שתתבשל כך ג' שעות

עד שיהי מסונן היטב ותיעשה כמו משיחה. ותמשח בזה על מקום הכאב ב' פעמים ביום ותחביש עם „וואט“ ותוהר שהקדרה תהיה גדולה מעט

שלא תהיה מלאה. כי אם שליש מן הקדירה יהי ריקן:

פאדאגרא. לכאב הפאדאגרא עם ניפוח באצבעות הרגלים או בקרסולי הרגלים. תקח מרה של עגל ותשפוך בכלי חרס ותערב בה

מעט מלח ותחמם על האש ותערב היטב. ואחר שיהיו פושרין תטבול בזה סמרטוטין והנח על מקום הכאב ב' פעמים ביום ותחביש ממעל עם

„וואט“ (מ"א):

פדיון. פדיון נפש לחולה מסוכן. תקח מטבעות כמספר שם החולה. למשל אם שמו ראובן תקח רנ"ט מטבעות מאיזה מין שיד החולה

משנת. ותתחיל לברור מהן בתחילה ר' מטבעות. ואח"כ מטבע אחת. ואח"כ ו' מטבעות. ואח"כ ב' מטבעות. ואח"כ ג' מטבעות. ובכל פעם

שתמנה המטבעות כמספר אותיות שם החולה תאמר בכל מספר „הריני נותן צדקה בשם כל ישראל“ וכשתמנה המספר של אות האחרון משם

החולה תאמר „הריני נותן צדקה בשם כל ישראל ובעד פב"ב החולה“. אח"כ תאמר ויהי נועם יושב בכתר עד גמירא. ואח"כ תערוב כל המטבעות

ותחלקם על ו' חלקים. למשל שבעים ראובן יוצא בסך הכל רנ"ט מטבעות

מטבעות עולה על חלק ו' ל"ז מטבעות. ותתחיל לברור ו' פעמים ל"ז מטבעות ותאמר אחר כל חלק ו' אשר ביררת, הריני נותן צדקה בשם כל ישראל ובעד פב"ב החולה". ותאמר ג"כ על כל חלק ו' ויהי נועם כלו. ואחר כל אלה תאמר, אם יש עליו מלאך מליץ אחד מני אלף להגיד לאדם ישרו. ויחננו ויאמר פרעהו מרדת שחת מצאתי כפר". אח"כ תחלק הו' חלקים מטבעות לז' עניים הגונים. ואם הוא עשיר וידו כשגת יותר טוב שיתן מטבעות כסף. ואם ישאר על ו' חלקים איזו מטבעות יותר. תתן המותר אל חלק הו' ות"א:

פדיון. פדיון נפש עבור חולה מסוכן. או עבור כל העיר בעת צרה רח"ל: מאת הצדיק הקדוש מו"ה ישעיהו מדינאוויץ זצוקל"ה. לקחת ח"י מטבעות על פדיון ולומר מזמור לדוד יענף י"ב פעמים ואחר כל פעם לומר ב' פסוקים האלה. הצילני נא מיד אחי מיד עשו כי ירא אנכי אותו פן יבא והכני אם על בנים. תפול עליהם אימתה ופחד בגדול זרועך ידמו כאבן. וקודם כל פעם שמתחילין לומר צדיק ליתן ע"פ מטבע אחת לצדקה של ארץ ישראל. ולומר הריני נותן צדקה עבור פדיון נפש פב"פ. או עבור פדיון נפשות עמך ישראל אשר בעיר פ'. אח"כ לומר זה הפסוק ג"פ ישר והפוך. ואמרתם זבח פסח הוא לה' אשר פסח על בתי בני ישראל במצרים בנגפו את מצרים ואת בתינו הציל ויקד העם וישתחוו. וקודם כל פעם ג"כ ליתן לצדקה כנ"ל ולומר כנ"ל. אח"כ לומר זה הפסוק ג"פ ישר והפוך. ואת האנשים אשר פתח הבית הכו בסנורים מקטון ועד גדול וילאו למציא הפתח. ג"כ ליתן לצדקה קודם כל פעם כנ"ל ולומר כנ"ל. אח"כ לומר בתמניא אפי פסוקי תהלים מאותיות קרע בשילוב הויה כזה יקהרועה. ואח"כ האותיות שטן בשילוב הויה כזה ישהמונה. אח"כ לומר עוד האותיות מתמניא אפי נגד השמות אהיה הויה אדני בשילוב כזה איא ההד יונ ההי. אח"כ לומר האותיות מתמניא אפי של שם החולה פלוני בן פלונית ואו של שם העיר ואח"כ לומר תפלה זאת. יה"ר מלפניך האו"א שבזכות הפדיון שאנחנו נותנים לצדקה עבור החולה פב"פ ואו עבור כל העיר פ"ז ובזכות פסוקי תהלים שקראנו לפניך תרחם על החולה פב"פ ואו על כל עמך ישראל אשר בעיר פ' מקננים עד גדולים ותקרע רוע גור דיננו ותשמרנו ותצילנו מכל מיני פורעניות המתרגשות לבוא בעולם. ותתן שלום בארץ ותסיר מעלינו כל מחלה ותצילנו מדבר וממגפה

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וממנפה ומכל צרה ויגון ואנחה מעתה ועד עולם אמן סלה. ויהי לרצון אמרי פי והגיון לבי לפניך ה' צודי וגואלי:

פדיון. סדר פדיון נפש על החולה עם ק"ם מטבעות.

הנה סוד פדיון נפש הזה שעי ק"ם מטבעות מובא בכמה ספרים אבל ביאור הסוד והכונה לא נזכר בכל מקום באופן אחד. וביותר האריך בזה בעל קיצור השל"ה. אבל גם שם לא נזכר הכל. ואמרתי כדי לזכות את הרבים לבאר הענין על מכונו בקיצור. אבל בסדר טוב והגון כמובן ל"ח:

תקח ק"ם מטבעות. העשיר ירבה ליתן מטבעות גדולות של כסף. והדל ימעיט ליתן מטבעות קטנות. אך י"היו במספר ק"ם. וסוד זה המספר עולה כמנין עץ וכמנין צלם וכמנין כסף. והיינו שהאדם הנקרא עץ השדה ויש לו צלם אלהים יהי נפרד ע"י הכסף הזה. ולכך אם אפשר מוטב לפדותו במטבעות של כסף דוקא. אבל גם כל המטבעות נקראים כסף כי אשה נקנית בכסף שהוא פרוטה של נחשת:

ראשית תמנה מספר כל המטבעות עי"ז שתעשה מהם ד' צבורין באופן זה. שתמנה בצבור אחד י' פעמים ה'. ובצבור השני תמנה ה' פעמים י'. ובצבור השלישי תמנה ו' פעמים ה'. ובצבור הרביעי תמנה ה' פעמים ו'. ותכוין שזה המנין הוא המספר של השם הוי"ה ב"ה ע"י הכאה כזה. יפ"ה הפ"י ופ"ה הפ"ו. שסך הכל עולה למספר ק"ם. עתה תערב יחד הד' צבורין על צבור אחד. ותקח ממנו ראשית ל"א מטבעות ותעשה מהם צבור אחד ותציג אותו בלבדו. והמנין יהי ע"י שתוציא מפיו בפירוש א' ב' ג' ד' וכו' עד שתגיע למספר המטבע של ל"א. ואז תאמר הפסוק, חסד אל כל היום. ותכוין להגביר מדת החסד הנרמז בהשם אל:

אח"כ תקח עוד מטבעות מן הצבור הגדול עד מספר ס"ד כמנין דין. והמספר הזה של ס"ד אל תמנה בפירוש בפך רק תכוין את המספר במחשבתך. יען כי הוא מספר של דין. ותעשה מן הס"ד מטבעות ג"כ צבור אחד. ותיכף תקח מטבעות מאותו הצבור על הס"ד ותמנה עד י"ז ותכוין להשם הגדול אלהיה. ותניח את הי"ז מטבעות בצבור בלבד ואח"כ תקח עוד מטבעות מאותו הצבור במספר כ"א. ותכוין להשם הגדול אלהיה. ותניח את הכ"א מטבעות ג"כ בצבור בלבד. ואח"כ תמנה שאר המטבעות של אותו הצבור שהם כמספר כ"ו. ותכוין להשם הגדול יהוה. ותניח את הכ"ו מטבעות ג"כ בצבור בלבד. וגם תכוין כי כמו שפיררת

למטה

למטה את המספר ס"ד שהוא דיין על ג' מספרים של ג' שמות הקדושים
אהיה אהיה יהוה שהם ג' מדות הרחמים. כך תתפורר למעלה הנורה
 של מדת הדין ותהפך למדת הרחמים על פכ"פ הנפדה בזה:
 נמצא שמונחים עתה לפניך ד' צבורין מטבעות. מלבד הצבור
 החמישי הנשאר מן הצבור הגדול. ואלה הן צבורין הם של מספר
 ל"א ושל מספר י"ז ושל מספר כ"א ושל מספר כ"ו. ולפי זה צריך
 להמצא בצבור החמישי ס"ה מטבעות:

ועתה תקח בידך המטבעות של הצבור החמישי ותמנה את המטבעות
 עד שתגיע למספר ס"ה. וקודם שתמנה המטבע של ס"ה תכוין שהם
 בנגד השם **אדני** שעולה ס"ה. והוא הצירוף של **דין א**. וסוד האות
א במילואו כזה **אלף** מרמז על **פלא** עליון אשר שם רק רחמים
 גמורים. ובכן האות **א** ממתיק את הג' אותיות **דין** של השם **אדני**.
 ובכונה הזאת תמנה את המטבע האחרונה אשר בידך שהוא המטבע של
 מספר ס"ה. והוא כנגד אות **א** של השם **אדני** הממתיק את הדין ומהפכו
 לרחמים בכח אור הגנוז של **פלא** העליון:

אחרי כן תיכף בלי הפסק תקח הצבור של מספר י"ז ותערבו בתוך
 צבור האחרון של מספר ס"ה. ותכוין בזה ליחד את השם **אהיה** עם השם
אדני כזה **אאהדינהי**. אחר כך תקח את הצבור של מספר כ"א ותערבו
 גם כן אל תוך הצבור האחרון. ותכוין בזה ליחד את השם **אהיה** עם
 השם **אדני** כזה **אאהדתנהי**. ואחר כך תקח גם את הצבור של מספר כ"ו
 ותערבו גם כן אל תוך הצבור האחרון. ותכוין ליחד את השם **יהוה** עם
 השם **אדני** כזה **יאהדונהי**. ועתה יהיו מונחים לפניך רק ב' צבורין
 אחד הוא הצבור של מספר ל"א. ובצבור השני נמצאים מטבעות במספר
 קכ"ט. ותחלק מיד את הקב"ט מטבעות לעניים הגונים דוקא. ואל
 תהמיץ את המצוה אם תוכל לקיימה מהר. והצבור של מספר ל"א יהיה
 לך. והיה בזה מעשה הצדקה שלום וחיים עד עולם על כל ישראל אמן:
 ואחר שעשית את הפדיון תתפלל על החולה תפלה הזאת.

יהי רצון מלפניך ה' או"א שהעשה למען קדושת שמותיך הקדושים
 והטהורים הנזכרים והנעשים פה על ידי הפדיון הזה נתכוין
 בזה אהיה אהיה יהוה אל אדני ותצטרף מחשבה טובה למעשה כי
 לך ה' החסד ואתה תשלם לאיש כמעשהו. ותנבר חסדך על מדת דינך
 וימחקו תגבורות הקשות על ידי **פלא** העליון אשר הוא חסדים גדולים
 לרחמים גמורים ופשוטים שאין בהם תערובת דין כלל. ויכבשו רחמך

את בעסך תעלינו ומעל פכ"פ על ידי פדיון-נפש הזה שעשיתי עבורו (עבורה) והפרשתי הממון לצדקה כמו שכתוב וצדקה תציל ממות. ובכן יר"ם שיעלה לרצון לפניך פדיון נפש הזה להמליץ עליו (עליה) לטובה. ולסתום פי המקרינים עליו (עליה) ותחתור חתירה מתחת כסא כבודך לקבל עתירותינו ועתרה פכ"פ להציל נפשו (נפשה) ממות ולהחלימו ולהחזיקו (ולהחלימה ולהחזיקה) ולרפא אותו (אותה) ברפואה שלמה במהרה רפואת הנפש ורפואת הגוף. ותפדה אותו (אותה) מרדת שחת וזנאמר מצאתי כופר לבטל מעל פכ"פ הגזרה הרעה ולרחם עליו (עליה) במדת הרחמים. כי אתה הוא רב סליחות ובעל הרחמים. יהיו לרצון אמרי פי והגיון לבי לפניך ה' צורי וגואלי. ברוך ה' לעולם אמן ואמן:

פחד. סגולה למי שנפל בפחד פתאם. להיות נזהר לומר בכונה אחר עלינו של הג' תפלות. הפסוקים של אל תירא מפחד פתאום וגו':
פחד. סגולה לפחד. שיכתוב סופר הגון מזוזה קמנה כשרה ותחת השם שדי יכתוב עוד השמות קרע שמן וישים בתיק ויתלה בצוארו:

פחד. אדם שיש לו פחד. יכתוב לו סופר הגון קמיע זאת על קלף כשר בנוסח זה (ת"א) וצריך לשים הקמיע בתיק ולתלות על צוארו:

אנא בשם יהוה חי חי חי חי חי חי חי חי פנואל
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 שיסיר הפחד והבהלה מן פכ"פ ותתישב דעתו עליו
 במהרה אמן נצח טלה ועד:

פחד. סגולה לפחד. לתלות עליו כים עם עשב, "רוטא" ועם, "טייווילסקוים" ועם צואת יונים יבשה שיש לה מראה לבן:

פחד. סגולה לפחד. לומר בכל יום הי"א פסוקים המתחילים באות נו"ן ומסיימים באות נו"ן עם התפלה הנדפסת אחריהם במעמדות ליום ראשון (עבוה"ק):

פרנסה. סגולה היותר גדולה לפרנסה. מה שנזכר בתורה בפירוש ועבדתם את ה' אלהיכם וברך את לחמך ואת מימך. והיה אם שמוע תשמעו אל מצותי וגו' ונתתי סמך ארצכם בעתו וגו'. וכתלמוד מובא. ולא עוד אלא שהרעותי את מעשי וקיפחתי את פרנסתי:

פרנסה. סגולה לפרנסה. תפלה בצבור ותפלה בזמנה. לומר פרשת הקמורת

הקמורת מלה במלה בשחרית ובמנחה. לומר בכל יום הי"ב עיקרים. לומר בב"י פרשת חמן. לבוין בפסוק פותח את ידך כוונה הידועה:

פרנסה. סגולה לפרנסה. להיות נזהר בסעודת במצות נטילת ידים עם הרכה מים ושאר דקדוקי המצוה. כראיתא בגמרא אנא משינא מלא חופנאי מיא ויהבו לי מלא חופנאי טיבותא. וגם שיאמר בכל יום קודם הכעודה מזכיר לדוד ה' רועי לא אחסר:

פרנסה. מי שהוא איש פשוט ואין בכחו ללמוד תורה בכל יום יהי נזהר לומר המעמדות בכל יום בבקר השכם. וזאת סגולה לפרנסה ולבנים:

פרנסה. סגולה לפרנסה. להיות נזהר בסעודה לברך ברכת המזון בקול מלה במלה ובשמחה. כנוכר בזוהר הקדוש. וגם כי שמחה היא סגולה לפרנסה כמובא בס"ק הרמז שהסופי תיבות של הפסוק והיית אך שמח הוא השם חתך המורה על כח המשפיע פרנסה. והוא השם היוצא מן ס"ת של הפסוק פותח את ידך. וע"כ זאת צריך כל אדם להיות על כל פנים בשמחה בשעת ברכת המזון. ולי נראה לרמז כי, והיית אך שמח" בגימטריא, יברך עלי מזון בשמחה":

פרנסה. סגולה גדולה לפרנסה. שיאמר בכל מוצאי ש"ק אחר ההכדלה ויתן לך. ויבוין מקודם בשמות הקדושים האלה מאן יבין כְּנֶתֶת מִן כְּתֹל הַצֶּדֶק. מקרים מן מי כמכח. וירין לך. אבג יתץ. ואח"כ יהיה נזהר לאכול סעודת מלוה מלכה ולהזכיר ע' פעמים אליהו הנביא ולבוין בהשם הקדוש והנורא אגלא. ובספרי הנעים, אליהו הנביא אשר הוצאתי לאור בעזהש"י הרפסתי את הזמר של אליהו הנביא כאופן שהאומרו כן מזכיר ע' פעמים אליהו:

פרנסה. כעם ומהלוקת מזיק מאד לפרנסה (לק"ע):
פשפשין. הנקראים, וואנטצען להבריהם או להמיתם. צריך למשוך במקומות שהם נסתרים שם עם מרה של שור מעורבת בחומץ חזק. או למשוך עם חומץ החזק מאד שעושים ממנו חומץ ונקרא, עססוג-עססענציא. או למשוך עם, נפט":

פתיחת הלב. סגודה לפתיחת הלב בתורה ובחכמה. שתכתוב ביום ד' בקדושה ובטהרה בכתיבה תמה ותגין על עלה של הדם השמות הקדושים האלה ללל עהה. וקודם הברלה תניח העלה ביין טוב וכשר בלי שום חשש נסך, ועל כן מוטב שתעשה עבור

זה יין טוב מצמוקים בביתך. ואחר שימחו השמות מאליהם בתוך היין
תבריל על היין ותשתה כל הכוס (ת"א):

אות צ

ציצית. מצות ציצית יש בה סגולה גדולה לכמה ענינים ושקולה כתר"ג
מצות ומצלת האדם מן החטא ומשמרתו מכל דע. וכמו מזוזה
לבית כן ציצית לגוף. כי היא הנותנת לאדם את הכח של אור מקיף. אבל
זאת רעה חולי שאף אחד מאלף אינו מקיים מצות ציצית כראוי. כי מלבד
זה שחסר מצות תכלת. אבל גם מצות לבן אינו מקיים. כי כמה דקדוקי
דינים יש במצות ציצית כמבואר בשלחן ערוך. וצריך לזכור העיקר שצריך
להיות גדיל הציצית נוטף על הכנף. והדין מבואר היטב בסידור הרב
הרז"ש וצוקללה"ה איך לעשות עצה על ידי התקשרות חוט של תפירה
שהציצית יהיו נוטפין תמיד על הכנף. ועוד יש עצה טובה יותר קלה
דהיינו שימשוך את הגדיל אל הנקב ויעשה חוט תפירה שנקרא פפקילקא
על הגדיל סמן אל הנקב. ובכן יהיה הגדיל תמיד תחת חוט התפירה
ולא יזוז משם. ולא לחנם אמרו במסכת שבת. כל הזהיר במצות ציצית
זוכה ומשמשין לו ב' אלפים ות"ת עבדים. וכבר נשאלתי מאת משכיל
אחד. הלא כמעט כל היהודים בערך עשרת מיליאן לובשים ציצית ומאין
יהיו כל כך עבדים בעולם. אבל האמת הוא שצריך לבקש אחד בעיר
ושנים במשפחה אשר יהי' זהיר במצות ציצית שיקיים המצוה כראוי בכל
פרטיה ודקדוקיה. ואנכי רוצה לזכות את הרבים בעצתי. וכל השומע לי
ינעם לו :

צרה. סגולה להתפלל על כל צרה שלא תבוא בזה הנוסח. ראשית
תאמר מזמור ס"ג בצורת המנורה כמו שנרפס בסידורים. אחר כך
תאמר עלינו לשבח עד אין עוד. ישר והפוך עם אנא בכח עד צרורה.
ותכוין בהשם מ"ב היוצא מהר"ת שהוא אבג יתץ. אחר כך תאמר עוד
הפעם עלינו לשבח ישר והפוך כנ"ל עם קבל רנת עד נורא. ותכוין בהשם
השני שהוא קרע שמן. אחר כך תאמר עוד עלינו כנ"ל עם השם
השלישי מהשם מ"ב. וכן תאמר עד ז' פעמים ישר והפוך ותגמור כל השם
מ"ב. ואח"כ תאמר ז' שיר המעלות ק"כ קב"א קב"ג קב"ד קב"ה קב"ט ק"ל.
אח"כ תתפלל בלב נשבר ותפרט בפירוש הישועה אשר אתה מבקש להנצל

מן הצרה הבאה עליך. וכך תאמר, "יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי אבותי שתשלח לי עורך מקודש ותושיעני במהרה מן הצרה... אשר באה עלי. כי אין בי כח לסבול הצרה הגדולה הזאת. ועשה נא למען שמך כמו שכתוב עמו אנכי בצרה. וכתוב בכל צרתם לו צר. ובכן שלח נא במהרה מלאך פניך להושיעני ולחלצני מן הצרה הזאת. מן המצר קראתי יה ענני במרחב יה ברוב רחמך הרבים וחסדיך המרובים. ואף על פי שאינני כדאי. חנני נא חנני בישועה שלימה במהרה מאוצר מתנת חנם. ככתוב וחנותי את אשר אחון ורחמתי את אשר ארחם. יהיו לרצון אמרי פי והגיון לבי לפניך ה' צורי וגואלי אמן סלה". אח"כ תאמר על כן נקוה עד גמירא. (זכירה):

צרה. סגולה גדולה בעת צרה. להדליק שמן או נר או לתת לצדקה ח"י גדולים. ויאמר בפירוש שמנדר זאת לעילוי נשמת רבי מאיר בעל הנס. ואח"כ יאמר, אלהא דמאיר ענני [ב"פ] וכשם שעשית נסים ונפלאות לעבדך מאיר בעל הנס כן תעשה גם עמדי ותעזורני לחלצני מצרה הזאת. כאן יפרט מביקשו היטב:

צרה. סגולה בעת צרה להמתיק הדין. שיקח ב' מטבעות ויפיל עליהן גורלות. גורל אחד לה' וגורל אחד לעזאזל. והמטבע שיצא עלי' הגורל לה' יתן אותה לצדקה. והשנית שעלה עליה הגורל לעזאזל ישליכנה לבית הכסא. ועי"ז נמתק הדין מעליו (ימ"נ):

צרה. מי שהוא בצרה ומתפלל לה' על הצרה. סגולה שיוכיר בתפלתו חסדי ה' שעשה אתו עד עתה. ויאמר כשם שהושעתני והצללתני מן הצרה ההיא כן תעזורני גם עתה להושיעני מצרה הזאת (מדרש):

צרה. מי שהוא בצרה גדולה. סגולה שיאמר ז' פעמים בכוונה ובלב נשבר פרשת העקידה ויוושע מצרתו (ימ"נ):

צרה. סגולה גדולה לאדם שהוא בצער הן יחיד או רבים וכן ליולדת המקשה לילד. לומר מזמור ב' יענך ה' ביום צרה י"ב פעמים ולכוון בשם יבק ד' פעמים כידוע שמרומז בד' מקומות בהר"ת. ואח"כ לומר בתמניא אפי' כל הפסוקים מן האותיות של שם הבעל צרה. ואחר כך כל הפסוקים מתמניא אפי' האותיות מן השם קרע שמן ואח"כ לומר יהי רצון הנדפס בשערי ציון (זכירה):

צרה. על כל צרה שלא תבוא. סגולה גדולה לומר כל תהלים מרישא לסיפא בלי שום הפסק יהי רצון שבין הספרים:

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קבר. מוכא בספרים בשם הבעש"ט ז"ל סדר הוספת קברת ארץ חדש על מקום בית החיים. איך להמשיך קדושה על המקום הזה. וכן הוא הדין כשעושין לגמרי בית החיים חדש. יתקבצו מרא דאתרא עם שאר תלמידי חכמים ואנשים כשרים אשר בעיר ויתענו באותו היום ויטבילו כלם במקוה. ואחר התפלה יאמרו כל ספר תהלים ואח"כ ילכו כלם אל [השרה ויעשו כסדר הזה. וזה לשון הבעש"ט ז"ל.

מקום החדש שהוקצע לביה"ק יקיפו מתחלה המקום ההוא עשרה אנשים ו' הקפות ויתחילו מצד קרן דרומית מזרחית ויאמרו באותו הקרן תהלים קפ"טל ק"ב בעמידה. ואח"כ יתחילו משם להקיף לצד קרן מזרחית צפונית ויאמרו בעת ההקפה ויהי נועם יושב בסתר. וכשיגיעו לצד קרן מזרחית צפונית יעמדו ויאמרו קפ"ג בתהלי'. ואח"כ יקיפו לצד קרן צפונית מערבית ויאמרו בעת ההקפה ויהי נועם יושב בסתר. וכשיגיעו לאותו הקרן יעמדו ויאמרו קפ"ד בתהלים ומשם יקיפו לקרן מערבית דרומית ויאמרו בעת ההקפה ויהי נועם. יושב בסתר. ובאותו הקרן יעמדו ויאמרו בישעי' קפ"טל מ"ב מן הפסוק וי"ד המתחיל שירו לה' שיר חדש עד גמירא. ואח"כ יקיפו משם לקרן דרומית מזרחית ויאמרו בעת ההקפה ויהי נועם יושב בסתר. ובגמר ההקפה יאמרו אנא בכח ויכונונו השם הראשון של פסוק הראשון ובזה נגמרת הקפה א'. ואח"כ יתחילו לעשות הקפה ב' ושוב יאמרו שם קפ"טל ק"ב בעמידה. ואח"כ יקיפו ויאמרו בעת ההקפה ויהי נועם יושב בסתר הכל כבראשונה. רק שבגמר הקפה הב' יאמרו ג"כ אנא בכח ויכונונו לשם הב' של פסוק הב'. וכן יעשו עד שיגמרו השבע שמות בו' הקפות. ולא יתחילו לקבור ברוח צפונית וגם המחיצה המקפת לא יתחילו לעשות מרוח צפונית. ויה"ר שיבולע המות לנגזז בבא"ס:

קבר. בנידון מעוברת שמתה. צריך להשתדל בכל מה דאפשר לבלתי לקבורה עם העובר. כי יוכלו להנזק בעבור זה כמה אנשים ונשים המביאים אותה כך לקבורה. אמנם כבר כתבו הפוסקים שאין לנבלה לחתוך הבטן להוציא את העובר. אבל נהגו להמתין מלקבורה עד יום השלישי. ומסעיין לה הנשים של הח"ק בכל יום שתחזיר את העובר. ומושיבין אותה בכל יום באמבטי של מים חמין. ואם עוד לא החזירה את העובר מושיבין ב"ד של ג' אנשים בעלי תורה ומתירין בה שתחזיר את העובר. כי אם לאותקבל עונש גדול בעבור שעוברת על מה שכתוב בתורה שופך דם האדם באדם דמו ישפך. ותוקעין לפני' בשופר ל' קולות. ויאמרו

ויאמרו שגוזרים עליה בקול השופר שתיציא תיכף את העובר. ומאיימין עליה שבאם לא תחזיר את העובר יקברו אותה תחת הגדר של בית הקברות כמו שנקברים אלו המאבדים עצמם לדעת. ואם אחר כל אלה לא תחזירה את העובר יעמדו לפניו ב"ד של ג' אנשים בעלי תורה ויאמרו לה. הננו גוזרים עליך בשם אל שדי אלהי ישראל שלא תזיק לשום איש ואשה בעבור זה אשר תקברי עם העובר בבטןך. וכל האחריות של העובר יהי מוטל עליך ואנחנו נהיה נקיים. — אח"כ יקברו אותה עם העובר (ס"ק):

קדחת. על פי חכמת הרפואה אין רפואה טובה ומעולה לקדחת כמו "חינין". וצריך לקחת רפואה הזאת ג' ימים. ג' "פחאשקים" ליום. ותבקש בהאפטיק שיעשה הפראשקים שיהי' בכל פראשק מן ג' עד ה' גראן "חינין":

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. לחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו של החולה ולעשות עונה קטנה ולשים הצפורנים בתוך העונה ולאפות אותה. ואחר האפיה יקח החולה את העונה וילך לשוק ואל ידבר עם שום אדם. והכלב הראשון אשר יראה יתן לו העונה לאכול. ועי"ז ירפא בעל הקדחת. (רמב"ן):

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. שישתין החולה בקערה ויערוב בה חלב עם מעט דחם ויתן לכלב לאכול (ת"א).

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. לחתוך צפורני ידיו ורגליו של החולה ותורק אותם על גחלי אש בכלי. והחולה יכסה עצמו עם סדין על ראשו כדי שיכניס העשן היטב בפיו בבקר אליבא ריקנא. וגם מעט נפרית ישים על הגחלים אחר שריפת הצפורנים. ואחר ההקטרה ישתין החולה על הגחלים ויורקם לאשפה (אמ"ן):

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. קח אגוז לון ותבקע אותה על ב' חצאין ותריק המאכל ותתפוס "שפין" גדול ושחור. ותשים אותו חי בתוך קלופי האגוז ותדבק חצאי הקליפות עם דבק. ותשים האגוז בכיס של פשתן ותתלה על צוואר החולה על ח' ימים וירפא (ת"א):

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. חוץ מקדחת רביעית רח"ל. תקח תפוח ותכתוב עליו בדיו בתיבה תמה גיחון פישון חדקל פרת. דהיינו שיחלק את התפוח על ד' חלקים ועל כל חלק יכתוב שם אחד. ויאכל החולה את התפוח בסדר בתחלה גיחון אח"כ פישון וכו'. וירפא (ת"א):

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. תקח תשעה שקדים מרים ותברור שיהיו גדולים ותכתוב בתיבה תמה על שלשה שקדים אגן מגן נגן. ועוד תכתוב

תכתוב על שלשה שקדים ביקדיש מיקדיש ניקדיש ועוד על שלשה תכתוב טנטור נטור טור. ויאכל החולה ביום אחד בבקר השקד אנ"ן. בצהרים יאכל השקד ביקד"ש. בערב יאכל השקד טנטור למחרתו יאכל בו הג' שקדים של מג"ן מיקד"ש נטור. וביום השלישי יאכל כן הג' שקדים של נג"ן ניקד"ש טור. סגולה זו בדומה ונוכרת בכמה ספרים רק שהחולה בעצמו אל יכתוב את השמות על השקדים כי אם אדם אחר שיכול לכתוב כתב אשורית. ואחר אכילת השקדים ימתין החולה מלאכול ולשתות שעה שלימה:

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. שתקח דג מלוח, הערינג' מן החבית ותקח זה הדג הנשרה בהציר שקורין, לאגער. ותחתוך את ראש הדג ותשרה אותו ביין שרף בתוך, גלאון. שהיין שרף יכסה כל ראש הדג. וישרה כן ששה שעות. אח"כ ישתה החולה את היין שרף שעה אחת קודם הזמן שצריכה לבוא עליו הקדחת (כתב תורה):

קדחת. סגולה לכל מיני קדחת אפי' לקדחת רביעית. שתקח סרטן חי הנקרא, קרעפס ותחתוך מן החולה צפורני ידיו ורגליו ותשים בסמרטוט ותצרור בקשר ותתלה הצרור הנקשר על הסרטן שלא יזיזו הצרור משם. דהיינו שתקשור הצרור אל הסרטן עם חוט לבן ותניח הסרטן עם הצרור לנהר ויתרפא בעזהש"י (אמ"ן):

קדחת. סגולה לקדחת. שתקח, קרעפס חי ותחתוך מן החולה הצפורנים מן הידים והרגלים ותשים יחד בכיס קטן ותתלה על החולה את הכיס כנגד לבו ויתרפא בעזהש"י (ת"א):

קור. לקור חזק שלא יהי' ניחר גרונו. רפואה לגמוע בבקר בבקר ביצת תרנגולת עם מעט, קאנדיל-ציקער דק כקמח:

קצבים. סגולה לקצבים שיצליחו בשחיטתם לקנות בהמות כשרות. שילכו בכל יום לביהכנ"ס בבקר השכם להתפלל בצבור. והעיקר שיהיו מעשרה הראשונים. ויש בזה סוד גדול והמבין יבין ויחשה:

קרי. סגולה טובה לקרי. בכל יום בבקר קודם שיאמר אלו נשמה יכוין לשלב אותיות שמו עם האותיות של תיבת נשמה. דהיינו למשל אם שמו יהודה יכוין כזה, נישמהוהדה. וזה בחול. אבל בשבת יכוין לשלב באופן שאותיות שמו תהיינה הראשונות כזה, ונהשומדהה. (זכירה):

קרי. סגולה שלא יראה קרי. ללמיד קודם השכיבה בספר הקדוש, תנא רבי

דבי אליהו או המעשיות של אליהו הנביא המפורים בש"ס ומדרשים וזהר. כנדפס בספרי אליהו הנביא שהוצאתי לאור :
קרי. סגולה שלא יראה קרי. לומר קודם השינה ד' מזמורים הראשונים שבתהלים. כי יש בהם שני תיבות כמנין קר"י ור"ת וס"ת מהמזמורים האלה הוא מנין קל"א כמנין סמאל שר הטומאה והכניעו כחו. וגם יכוין בכל שם הוי' מן הד' מזמורים נקוד בברית כזה יהיה נסידור הרז"ש :

קרי. מי שראה קרי צריך להתאמץ בו ביום לתקן זמנם. ותיקונו הוא שיטבול עצמו ויאמר בלב נשבר אלו עשרה מזמורים. מ"ז
 ל"ב מ"א מ"ר מ"ט ע"ז י' ק"ה קל"י ק"נ ולקהר"ן
קרי. מי שראה קרי ח"ו בליל יום הכפורים. אם הוא רגיל תמיד לטבול לקרויו בו ביום יש גדולים שמתירים לטבול בהצנע בבוקר השכם במים קרים. ע"כ אם יש ביכולתו יעשה זאלת חכמה. וכתבו המקובלים תיקון על זה שנל' יום רצופים אחר יוה"כ יאמרו הפיוטים של ד' קדושות מיום הכפורים. של שחרית מוסף מנחה נעילה בלב נשבר וינצל. ויתחיל בקדושת שחרית ובכך לך תעלה וכו' מי יתנה תוקף תהלהך וכו' עד קדושה משולשת. אל ברוי עצות וכו' עד יבא בם הרוח. תמיד תתלונן וכו' עד את הנפש. אליך ועדיך וכו' עד יהם כל בשר. אליך תלויות וכו' עד לדור ודור הללויה. ויתחיל בקדושה מוסף עשה למען שמך וקדש וכו' עד קדושה בקדש. או מלפני וכו' עד ביו ינון. או מלפני וכו' עד הללויה. ויתחיל בקדושת מנחה נ"י רכובו בערבות וכו' עד והקדש בקדש. ויתחיל בקדושת נעילה שערי ארמון וכו' וכל הקדושה עד הללויה. חמוץ על מעשיך וכו' עד המלך המשפט ויסיים במזמור קמ"ג ה' שמע תפילתי וגו' :

קרעמפין. היא מחלת השבץ רח"ל. ועל פי רוב שכיח יותר בילדים. ובאין לפעמים מן תולעים שבבני מעיים. ולפעמים מן צמיחת השניים וגם ביולדת המקשה לילד שכיחין. קרעמפין ולפעמים באים ה. קרעמפין אחרי מחלה קשה. וצריך לרפאות להסיר סבת ה. קרעמפין וממלא יתבטלו ה. קרעמפין : רפואה ל. קרעמפין. לעשות קרסטרען מן וואלעריאן שנתבשל במים עם מעט הלבנה שנקרא טיווילסקן ט"ו.

ועל הראש צריך להניח קאמפרעסין קרים מן מים וחומץ :
קרעמפין. ל. קרעמפין בילדים. רפואה להניח תיכף הילד במים חמים מן הרגלים עד הטבור. ואם אינו יכול לעשות לו מרחץ

כזה יעשה לו תיכף, קאמפרעסען חמין על הרגלים:
קדעמפין. 5. קרעמפין בגדולים. צריך לקרות תיכף רופא מומחה. כי
 אולי היא מחלת השבץ הפשוטה הנקראת, אפאפלעקסיה
 ואזי בחוץ מאד להעמיד תיכף, פיאזוקעס אחורי האזנים בעזרת רופא
 מומחה.

אות ר

ראש. הראש הוא מלך העליון של הגוף. והלב הוא משנה למלך. והם
 פועלים ונתפעלים זה מזה כדמיון שני הכחות של חכמה ובינה.
 ואין כאן המקום לבאר הענין בארכיות. רק שעי"ז יובן שיש כמה מיני
 כאב ראש. ויש למנותם במספר שבע. ואלו הן א) מן הקיבה שאיננה
 בתיקונה הראוי ועולה ממנה אדים מעופשים אל הראש אל הקדקוד ואל
 השרף. ב) מן חמימות שבגוף בסבת איזו מחלה. ג) מן קרירות שבגוף
 הנקרא קאטאר. ד) מן מחלת העצבים. ה) מן התרבות הדם שהלב מונק
 על המוח הרבה דם. ו) מן חוסר דם בגוף ונעשה המוח רזה ויבש.
 « הוא כאב ראש בעצמו שלא מן סבת הגוף דהיינו ע"י הכאה בראש
 או ע"י הכאב הנקרא, מיגרעני. » וכל מי שרוצה לרפאות כאב הראש צריך
 מקודם לחקור ולדרוש סבת המחלה ואז ידע איזו רפואה ליתן.
ראש. לכאב ראש שהוא מן חמימות הבאה מן איזו מחלה שבגוף.
 רפואה להניח, קאמפרעסען קרים מן מים וחומץ או מן מים
 קרים שנתבשל בהן ב' עשבים הנקראים, ארניק וגם, מיענטא:
ראש. לכאב ראש מקרירות וקאטאר. רפואה לבשל שכולת שועל
 בחומץ ולעשות מזה, חלאדנים חמות ולהניח על הראש איזה
 פעמים עד שיוע:

ראש. לכאב ראש מועיל לפעמים לעשות מרחצאות של רגלים למעלה
 מן הקרסילים עד הארכובה עם מים חמין ומלח ואפר. ויחזיק
 שם הרגלים בערך חצי שעה ויסיר כאב הראש:

ראש. לכאב ראש מן מחלת העצבים. רפואה שתקח, גליאז וחצי מים
 חמין מבושלים ותערב בהם ב' כפות, קאלי-בראמאטין עם כף
 אחת, קאלי-יאדאטין שתקנה באפטיק. וישתה החולה מזה ג' כפות בכל
 יום. ויזהר מלשתות משקאות חריפות:

ראש. לכאב ראש מחמת עצמו. שנקרא, מיגרעני. והסימן שאינו
 כואב

כואב כל הראש כי אם חלק ממנו בצד אחד. רפואה שתקח ה' כפות "גארטשניצע-שפירט". ב' כפות "קאמפאר-שפירט" וב' כפות "מראווצאני-שפירט". כל זה תקנה באפטיק ותערוב יחד ותמשח היטב בכח על מקום הכאב:

ראש. עוד רפואה טובה ל"מיגרעני". שתשתה אגליאז "קאויז" טובה שחורה חמה ותשים בה חתיכה "ציטרין":

ראש. לכאב ראש באנשים שיש להם קרחת או גבחת. רפואה שתקנה באפטיק "ווייסען-אינגער" ותכתשנו לאבק דק כקמח ותבשלנו היטב עם שמן שומשמן. ואחר שהשמן יהי פושרין תערב בו חלמון ביצה עד שיעשה כמו משיחה. וימשח מזה על סמרטוט רך ונקי ויניח על ראשו בקרחתו או בגבחתו (מ"א):

רגל. לרגלים שנחלש בהם. רפואה לסוך אותן ג"פ בשבוע עם "נפט":
רגל. לכאב הארכובה הנקרא "קני". רפואה למשוח הארכובה עם דבש דבורים טוב כנגד האש. ואח"כ תפזר שם מלח דק ותחבוש היטב עם "פלאקס" שהיו מונחים בו אתרוגים. ואם אין לך "פלאקס" בזה תחבוש עם "וואטי" רכה ועם "באנדארזש" חזק. ויהי מונח כך איזה ימים וירפא:

רגל. לכאב שוק הרגל ולפעמים נמשך הכאב למטה בשאר פרקי הרגל וזאת המחלה נקראת "שיאם". רפואה להניח חול חם. וגם טוב ליקח צנון שחור וקשה ולגרר אותו על "ריב-איווין" ולפור על סמרטוטין ולהניח על מקומות הכאב ולחבוש היטב מטעל. ולפעמים מועיל לזה מרחצאות מן ב' הלכים מלח וחלק אחד "סאדע":

ריאה. למחלת הריאה הנקרא "שווינדנוכט" רח"ל. רפואה הראשית היא שישאף החולה בקרבו אויר צח ביער של "סאסנאווין" עצים:
ריאה. למחלת הריאה. רפואה גדולה היא שיאכל החולה מאכלים שמינים. וישתה חלב עם חמאה. ויאכל בכל יום רגלי בחמה עם הרומב השמן שלהם. ואם אין קיבתו יכולה לעכל רגלי בקר. יאכל רגלי עגלים. ואם קיבתו חלושה שקשה עליה לעכל שומן כזה. יזהר לאכול שומן שהוא קל להתעכל דהיינו שומן דגים. שומן כלבים. או שומן אווז עם חלב חם לשתות בכל בקר:

ריאה. למחלת השיעול שקורין "הוסט". עיין לקמן בסימן "שיעול". ועיין לעיל בסימן "אסטמא":

דימאטין. רפואה למחלת "הרעיומאטיוז". אם הכאב הוא במקום אחד. למשוח

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למשוח מקום הכאב בדבש דבורים ולפור על הדבש חרדל בתוש לבן. ולכרוך ממעל עם פשתן הנקרא "ליאני-פלאקס" ויהי מונח שם הפשתן עד שיפול מעצמו:

רימאטין. רפואה לרימאטין. ליקח "קאנאפיעס" רך ולטבול בשפירט של יין שרף ולפור על הקאנאפיעס, קאליפאני" כתושה לאבק דק בקמח. ולהניח ה"קאנאפיעס" עם ה"קאליפאני" על מקום הכאב. ולחבוש ממעל היטב עם "באנדאזש" חזק. ויהי מונח כן ג' ימים:

רימאטין. רפואה לרימאטין. לקנות באפטייק "טערפאנטיין" עם "האלץ-שפריט" ולערוב יחד שוה בשוה ולמשוח בזה היטב בכח על מקום הכאב ב' פעמים ביום:

רימאטין. רפואה לרימאטין. לכתוש סיד שאינו מכובה על חתיכות קטנות וליתן בבקבוק של זכוכית. ולשפוך עליו שפירט של יין שרף. ויעמיד הבקבוק במקום זריחת השמש על ג' ימים. ויערוב את הבקבוק בכל יום איזה פעמים. ואחר הג' ימים יסנן את השפירט על יד סמרטוט עב וישפכנו אל בקבוק נקי. ויסתום היטב את פי הבקבוק. וימשח עם זה השפירט על מקום הכאב ב' פעמים ביום:

רימאטין. רפואה טובה לרימאטין שצריך כל אדם לראות להכין זאת בביתו. כי זאת רפואה טובה שתשפוך בבקבוק של זכוכית "קוואטירל" חומץ חזק וטוב. ותשים בתוכו שתי מאות מחטים נקיים בלי חלודה. והמחטים הם מה שתיזכרים עמהם. ויניחו שם בערך חודש ימים עד אשר המחטים יהיו נימוחים לגמרי. ותמשח היטב עם החומץ הזה על מקום הכאב ב' פעמים ביום:

רימאטין. הרבה פעמים מועיל לרימאטין מרחצאות חמות של ב' חלקים מלח וחלק אחד "סאדע" שלוקחין לרחיצת בגדים:

רימאטין. רפואה טובה לרימאטין. ליקח חריין קשה ולח. ולמעכו על "ריב-איווען". ולשימו בתוך בקבוק של זכוכית. ולשפוך עליו שפירט של יין שרף. ולסתום היטב הבקבוק. וגם טוב לשים בתוך הבקבוק איזה כפות מלח. ואחר שיעמוד כל זה ג' ימים יקח בכל פעם מן היין שרף וימשוח על מקום הכאב:

שושנה. למחלת השושנה הנקראת "ריו". הן שהוא חלק והן שעלה בו אבעבועות. רפואה לעשות משיחה הזאת. שתקח לויט אחד, "הלוין". לויט אחד, "גרינשפאן" ותכתוש לאבק דק כקמח. אח"כ תקח כרפס הנקרא "פיעטרושקא" ותרחצהו שיהי נקי ותגרר אותו על "ריבאינזען" ותקח מן הכרפס הנגרר ג"כ לויט אחד. וגם תקח קמח שעורים לויט אחד. ותשים כל זה בקערת חרס נקיה ותערוב בה כל הד' מינים האלה ביחד. אח"כ תתן בתוך הקערה חלבון ביצת תרנגולת עם יין שרף ותערוב הכל ביחד היטב עד שתעשה כמו משיחה. והנח זאת על פשתן מרוסק שנקרא "ליאני-פלאקס" והנח על מקום הכאב. ותחבוש ממעל עם "וואטי". ויהי מונח שם זמן ארוך ויעבור הכאב:

שושנה. למחלת השושנה. רפואה לכתול נתר שנקרא "קרייד" לאבק דק כקמח ותפוז ה"קרייד" על חתיכה, פלאנעלי אדומה. או על חתיכה בגד צמר רך ואדום. ותחבוש בזה את השושנה שיהי מונח שם זמן ארוך וירפא.

שושנה. צריך ליוהר לבלתי ללחלה את מקום השושנה במים. ואם נתלחלה במים הוא קשה להרפא. יצריד תיכף להניח שם "קאמפרעסין" מן יין שרף וירפא מהר:

שחין. רפואה לשחין בילדים. שתקח נפרית כתוש. לאבק דק כקמח. וגם "בור-ווייערע" תקנה באפטייק. ותבקש שימכור לך מזה המין שהוא אבק דק כקמח. ותערב אלה שני המינים שזה בשוה עם "וואזילינע" או עם חמאה תפילה. או עם שומן חזיר תפל. כל זה תחמם על האש ותערב היטב ותמשח בזה את השחין ד' שבועות וירפא:

שחין. לשחין ראש בגדולים. רפואה לעשות משירה זאת שתקח כף אחת דבש חי הנקרא "פאטינגע". כף אחת לבונה זכה. כף אחת שומן חזיר תפל. כף אחת חומץ טוב. וגם מעט "גרינשפאן" דק. ימעט ופת שחור. ותבשל הכל ביחד מעט על האש. ותערוב היטב עד שתיעשה כמו משיחה. ותמשח בזה את השחין ד' שבועות. וירפא:

שחין. אחר שנמשח השחין עם המשיחות הנ"ל ד' שבועות ונרפא. צריך למשוח עוד ד' שבועות עם המשיחה הזאת. שתעשה מן חצי ליטרא שומן חזיר ישן וחצי קווארט חומץ טוב. שתבשל ביחד בישול ארוך עד שלא ישאר מהחומץ כלום רק השומן בלבד. ותמשח עם שומן הזה את הראש פעם אחת כלילה חודש ימים. וצריך ליוהר מאד לגזוז

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תמיד את השערות בכל היכולת. הן בזמן משיחה. הראשונה. והן בזמן משיחה האחרונה. ובעוהש"י ירפא לגמרי:

שינה. מי שאינו יכול לישן. סגולה שיכיון ויהרהר בהשם איתואל שהוא שם המלאך הממונה להפיל תרדמה על האדם (רמ"א):

שינה. מי שאינו יכול לישן. סגולה שישתה חלב עז עם מלח (רו"ח):

שינה. מי שאינו יכול לישן. סגולה שתבשל חזרת הנקרא "חרין" במים שתוקים. אח"כ המעך החרין ותמשה אותו על סמרטוט כמו "פלאסטער". והנח על המצח עם ה"שלפין" חם ויישן (מ"א):

שינה. מי שרוצה לקום כלילה. סגולה שיאמר קודם השינה הפסוק "עזרה כבודי עזרה הנבל וכנור אעירה שחר". ו' פעמים ישר והפוך.

ויזכיר בכל פעם השעה שרוצה להקיץ בה. אח"כ יאמר הפסוק "בהתהלכך תנחה אותך בשכבך תשמור עליך והקיצות היא תשיחך". ג"כ ו' פעמים ישר והפוך (זכירה):

שינה. מי שיש לי טבע מנונה שמדבר מתוך השינה. סגולה שיתלה על צוארו שן כלב (זכירה):

שינה. מי שצועק מתוך שינתו. הנה יבהלוהו חלומות רעים כדי שיקין. וזאת בא מחמת שגולד איזה חסרון בגוף וע"י שיקין יתקן הדבר

והרבה פעמים בא זאת אם ישן פרקן ומשים ידו על לבו בשעת השינה ונעשה מזה כושר הנשימה. וגם הרבה פעמים בא זאת מחמת חלושת העצבים ע"י איזו עגמת נפש או סיבה אחרת. וע"כ אין להתענות כלל בשביל חלומות רעים כאלה:

שינה. מי שאינו יכול לישן מחמת שיש בביתו תרנגול הקורא. סגולה שימשה ראש התרנגול בשמן. וגם את אזני התרנגול ימשה בשמן. או שיתלה על צואר התרנגול ענף עץ ועי"ז ישתוק התרנגול (מרה"ל):

שינה. מי שאינו יכול לישון בלי שום סיבה. רפואה להניח על ראשו פסעל באמצע הראש כים של פשתן עם מלח לח. ובאם נתייבש המלח על הראש ילחלו שנית את המלח:

שיעור. למחלת השיעול שקורין "הוסטען" רפואה לשתות חלב עז חם תכף מן החליבה:

שיעור. למחלת השיעול. רפואה לקנות באפטיק העשבים הנקראים בלשון ליוין "ספיקציעס-פיקטאראליס" וישהה כמו ש"י עם "קאנדיל-ציקער". ויכול לשתות זאת גם עם חלב:

שיעור. רפואה למחלת השיעור. לבשל „ענים“ בחלב וישתה עם צוקער כמה ימים:

שיעור. רפואה למחלת השיעור. שתקח צנן שחור קשה ולח ותקליפהו ותחתכהו לחתיכות דקות או שתגרור אותו על „ריב-אייזען“ ותפור עליו „קאנדיל-צוקער“ כתוש ותכסה בכלי. ואחר שיוזע הצנן וימס הצוקער תסחוט המוץ ע"י סמרטוט נקי. ותשתה מן זה המוץ כף אחת בכל שעה. כן תעשה איזה ימים ותרפא:

שיעור. רפואה למחלת השיעור. שתכתוש „לויט גפרית עם ג' לויט „קאנדיל-צוקער“ לאבק דק כקמח. ויאכל מזה בכל בוקר אליבא ריקנא כף קטנה:

שיעור. רפואה למחלת השיעור לקנות באפטיק העשב הנקרא בלשון ליטיין „ליכען-יסלאנדיקום“ ולבשל כמי טיי ולשתות עם „צוקער“ איזה גלעזער בכל יום:

שיעור. לשיעור יבש שקשר לו להוציא ליחה. רפואה לבשל „גראפין“ של שעורים עם „קאנדיל-צוקער“ לסנן הרוטב מי ה„גראפין“ ולשתות חם כמה פעמים

שיעור. לשיעור יבש ומרגיש כאב וכובד על החזה. רפואה שתקנה באפטיק „וואזעלינא“ לבנה עם שמן שקדים. ותקח כף מזה וכף מזה ותחמם ביחד על האש. ותסוך בזה את החזה בבקר. בערב: **שכרות**. מי שנשתכר מאד ורוצים להפיו שכרותו: סגולה לטבול סמרטוט או „וואט“ בחומץ טוב. ולחבוש בזה את הזכים עם הביצים שלו (מ"א):

שכרות. מי שרגיל בשכרות ורוצה למאס בתועבה הזאת וקשה עלי להתאפק. סגולה שישתה בכל ב' שעות כף שמן זית טוב או שישתה בכל יום ג' כפות שמן דגים טוב. כן יעשה זמן ארוך ועי' ימאס בשכרות:

שליקערץ. מי שיש לו מיחוש של גניחת הלב שנקרא „שליקערץ“. רפואה שישתה חלב חם תיכף אחר החליבה. וחלב עז יותר טוב:

שליקערץ. סגולה וגם רפואה טובה ל„שליקערץ“, יין-כרמל-ברזל וטוב שישרה ט' חתיכות לחם כלה בתוך היין הזה. וכל חתיכה תהי' לא פחות מכוית. ואחר שהחתיכות תהיינה מובלעות היטב עם היין יאכל אותן החולה בבקר בבקר אליבא ריקנא. חתיכה אחר חתיכה. כן יעשה חודש ימים וירפא: **שליקערץ**

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שליקערין. סגולה לשליקערין. שתקח ב' ליטראות צנון שחור קשה ולח ותקליף אותו ותגררו על „ריב=איווען“ ותפזר עליו עשרה לויט צוקער כתוש שנקרא „מאנטשקין“ ותערב ותכסה בכלי ויעמוד כך בערך שעה אחת עד שיזיע הצנון וימס הצוקער. אח"כ תסחוט המיץ וישתה החולה את המיץ בבקר אליבא ריקנא. כן יעשה ב' שבועות. וירפא (מ"א):

שליקערין. לשליקערין פשוט אצל אנשים זכרים. שגונח הלב הרבה נניחות פעם אחר פעם. לזה יש רפואה פשוטה רק להשקיט השליקערין תיכף. והוא או לשבת תיכף על רגל אחד בלי שום תנועה ואפי' רק ביד או ברגל ג"כ אין לעשות שום תנועה. או לגמוע תיכף איזו משקה. פה מלא ויבליע. וישקיט תיכף ה„שליקערין“:

ששול. יש ב' מיני ששול. אחד. הבא מחמת השחתת הקיבה ובני מעיים ע"י מאכלים מקולקלים. שני. הבא מחמת קרירות. לששול הבא מן השחתת הקיבה צריך לתת לו רפואות לנקות הקיבה ובני מעיים. וצריך להשמר מאד מן מאכלים גסים. לששול הבא מחמת קרירות. צריך לתת לו רפואות המחממות את הבני מעיים:

ששול. לששול עם הקאה רח"ל. תקנה באפטיק „נאזעמצאווין“ קראפליס" ותתן להחולה בכל שעה מן חמש עשרה עד עשרים טפות עם „אריק" או יין אדום. וגם תשפוך שפירט של יין שרף על נייר „ביבילע" ותפזר על הנייר פלפול כתוש. ותעשה באמצע הנייר נקב ותניח את הנייר על בטן החולה. באופן שהנקב יבוא כנגד הטבור. ותחבוש ממעל עם „וואטי“:

ששול. לפעמים רפואה טובה לששול לעשות להחולה „קריסטער“ כזה. שתקח „קוואטירעל" אחד קלב מבושל שיהי פושרין. ותערב בזה ב' חלמונים מביצי תרנגולת. וצריך להכות ולערוב היטב מקודם את החלמונים כדי שיתערבו היטב עם החלב. ולעשות מזה „קריסטער" להחולה. וכן צריך לעשות ג' ימים ויוטב לו:

ששול. גם „חלאדנעס" חמות רפואה טובה לששול. וטוב לעשות „חלאדנע" שתחמם היטב סובין יבשים. ותזרף עליהם חומץ מעט כדי להחליח אותן מעט. וכשהם מרותחין תתן אותן בתוך שק קטון מן בד אשר יכסה את הבטן. ובכל שעה או ב' שעות תניח על הבטן „חלאדנעס" חמות כאלה. ותחבוש ממעל עם „וואטי“:

ששול. לששול „גרימינעש" בבטן הן בגדולים והן בקטנים. טובים חלאדנעס

חלארנעס חמות כאלה. שתבשל זרע פשתן הנקרא „ליאני-שעמין“ בחומץ שיהי' תבשיל עב. ותשים בקררה גם מעט שמן זית או שומן חזיר. ותשים בתוך שק קטון מן בד אשר יכול לכסות את הבטן. ותניח חם על הבטן. ובכל ב' או ג' שעות תחליף ותתן „חלארנע“ חמה אחרת. ותחבוש ממעל עם „וואט“:

שני שנים + לשלשול עם דם. סגולה לבשל עשב „רומא“ בחלב. וליתן להחולה לשתות מזה החלב ה' כפות בכל שעה. והחלב יהי' פושרין כאשר ישתה החולה ממנו. ויכול לשתות זה החלב עם צוקער: **שנים**. אם השיניים מתנועעים מחמת רכות וחולשת בשר החניבים. רפואה לשרות חצי „גלאז“, „חריין“ מעוך עם „גלאז“ וחצי שכר „בייריש“ בתוך בקבוק גרול מגופה היטב. ואחר שיערוב היטב יעמיר הבקבוק על ב"ר שעות. ואח"כ טובה הרפואה להשתמש בה. וישפך בכל פעם מעט שכר מן הבקבוק בתוך בוס קטון ויצחצח בו את השיניים. בן יעשה ג' פעמים ביום:

שנים. סגולה לכאב שנים מהצדיק המפורסם נזר ישראל וכו' מן הריב"ש זצוקלה"ה מרוזין. לומר בשעת קירוש הלכנה „בשם שאני רוקד כנגדך ואיני יכול לנגוע בך בך לא יוכלו כל אויבי לנגוע בי לרעה. וכך לא יהי' לי לעולם כאב שנים“. בן יאמר ג' פעמים:

שנים. אם כואבים כל השיניים מצד אחד. וסבם הכאב היא מחמת קרירות. רפואה שתקנה באפמייק „גארטשיצי-שפירט“ וגם „קאמפאר-שפירט“ ותטבול בזה „וואט“ ותמשח את הלחי אשר בצד הכאב אח"כ תחבוש ממעל עם „וואט“ יבשה וישכוב עצמו החולה לישון וישקוט הכאב:

שנים. אם כואבים כל השיניים מצד אחד מחמת קרירות. סגולה שתחתוך במגרה לוח קטון מן עץ „סאסנאוו“ שהוא לח מעט. ותשפוך על הלוח במקום שנחתך שפירט של יין שרף. אח"כ תפור שם פלפל שחוק. ותניח הלוח על הלחי הכואב באופן שהשפירט והפלפל יהיו לצד הלחי. ותחבוש את הלוח עם „וואט“ וישכוב עצמו החולה לישון וישקוט הכאב:

שנים. לשן הכואב שיש בו נקב. רפואה להניח בהנקב מעט „סאלמיאק“ או מעט „קאמפאר“ או מעט „סארע“ שרוחצין בו. ותסתום הנקב עם מעט „וואט“:

שנים. לשן הכואב שיש בו נקב. תעשה כדור קטון מן „וואט“ ותטבול

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באחד מן ה"קראפלים" האלה אשר הקנה באפטיק. או "נעלקין" עה"ל. או "יאדינא-קראפלים". או "קוואם-קארבול". ותניח הכדור בתוך הנקב. והוי זהיר ככל מיני הקראפלים שלא תגע עם הוואמי כלשון או בהניכים. כי יכזה העור מהן מחמת חריפתן:

שְׁנַיִם. לשן הכואב שאין בו נקב. העשה רפואה ביתית שתקח פלפל ומלח כתושים על כף של מתכות או על קערה קטנה. ותשפוך בזה יין שרף שאיננו חזק כל כך. ותדליק היין שרף עד שתשקע האש. וישאר בכלי מיץ אדום. ותטבול בזה "וואטי" ותניח על השן. וזאת מועיל גם אם יש נקב בשן להניח ה"וואטי" גם בתוך הנקב:

שְׁנַיִם. לשן הכואב שאין בו נקב. רפואה ביתית לקחת לובן ביצת תרנגולת בתוך קערה קטנה ותשפוך בתוכה יין שרף חזק במדה שזה כערך החלבון. ותערוב היטב עם כף. אח"כ תדליק היין שרף ועי"ז יתבשל החלבון. וכאשר תשקע האש מן החלבון על "וואטי" תיכף בעורנו חם תניח על השן הכואב:

שְׁנַיִם. לשן הכואב שאין בו נקב. רפואה ביתית שתליש מעט קמח סלת עם מעט דבש ותערב בזה הרבה מלח ופלפל מהורק. ותעשה עיסה מזה ותניח על השן הכואב. ויזיב רוק מן הפה וישקוט הכאב (ע"ח):

שְׁנַיִם. רפואה לכאב שיניים. שתקח ב' כפות חלב שקדים ותשים בזה כף אחת צוקער כתוש הנקרא "מאנטשקע" ותחמם על האש. ויקח מזה בפיו כדי גמיעה ויתפוס בפיו איזה רגעים כמו שיכול לסבול וישקוט הכאב:

שְׁנַיִם. (במדרש תלפיות מביא שיש חילוק בין ישראל לאוה"ע במספר השיניים. ש"ישראל יש ל"ב שיניים. ולאוה"ע ל"ג):

שְׁנַיִם. רפואה לכאב שיניים. לחמם חלב עם כרכום ויקח מן החלב בפיו כדי גמיעה חם כמו שיכול לסבול. כך יעשה איזה פעמים וישקוט הכאב (ס"א):

שְׁנַיִם. אם אין בעירך "אפטיק" תוכל לעשות "קראפלים" לשיניים בביתה. שתקח חצי לויט בשם "נענילעך" עם חצי לויט "קאמפער" כתוש. ותשים בתוך בקבוק ותשפוך עליהם "שפירט" של יין שרף. לא הרבה רק כדי שיכסה ה"שפירט" את התערובות. ואחר כ"ד שעות תוכל להשתמש עם ה"קראפלים" האלה לטבול מעט "וואטי" ולהניח בתוך שן הכואב:

שערות. להצמיח שערות במקום קרחה. תקח ב' כפות שמן הנקרא "ריצין-עהל" ותערוב בו חלמון ביצה. ותערב בכף היטב עד

שיהי' נעשה כמו משיחה. ותמשח בזה ב"פ ביום:

שערות. "קאלטען" על הראש. אין לחתכו או לנוזו עם כלי ברזל. כי

זה סכנה לכל הגוף. רק יש עצה ללבן באש "דראָהט"

ולשרוף עם ה"דראָהט" את שורש ה"קאלטען" לאט לאט עד שיפול. אבל

בעל ה"קאלטען" צריך אז בשעת השרפה לישוב באמבטי מים חמים עד

הצואר. ואחר שנפל ה"קאלטען" צריך למשוך תיכף את הראש עם שמן

"שפינגנארדי" הנקרא בלשון ליטיין "ליוואנדו-עהל". וכשיפול ה"קאלטען" לא

יגיד לשום אדם אפילו לאביו ולאמו או לאשתו ולבניו. וכן האשה לא

תגיד לבעלה ולבניה. רק להצניע את ה"קאלטען" במקום מוצנע (מ"א) עם

שינוי והוספה עפ"י חכמת הרפואה אשר בזמן הזה. אבל גם באופן הזה

אין לחתוך ה"קאלטען" רק אם הוא דבר נחוץ מאד. כי גם באופן הזה

יש עדיין ספק שלא יסבול מזה כל הגוף:

שרפה. סגולה להרחיק האש מן הבית בשעת שרפה. שתתלה כתונת

המלוכלך עם דם נדה על הבית אשר כנגד השרפה. ואז לא

תלך האש אל אותו צד שתלוי' שם הכתונת (מ"א):

שתן. לנעצר משתן. רפואה לכתוש גרעיני שעורים היטב ולשרות אותן

בחומץ חזק לכל הפחות מעת לעת. ואין צריך לבשלן. ואח"כ תן

להחולה לשתות מזה החומץ ויועיל. (מ"א):

שתן. מי שאינו יכול להשתין מחמת "קאטאר" בהשלחופת. רפואה ביתית

לבשל כרפס הנקרא "פיעטרושקן" וישתה המים. וגם יבשלו לו

שכולת שועל וישתה המים. ויבשלו לו "האָבער-גרוין" לאכילה ואם יש

ורע כרפס. טוב לבשל ב' כפות בקווארט מים. והחולה יקח מזה בכל

פעם כף אחת:

שתן. רפואה לעצירת השתן. לעשות להחולה מרחצאות חמות באמבטי

מן מים שנתבשל בהן שכולת שועל או התבן של שכולת שועל:

שתן. לעצירת השתן. סגולה לבשל שקדים מרים עם חלב עז. וישתה

כמה פעמים (ת"א) י

שתן. לעצירת השתן. רפואה לקנות באפט'יק "בורשטין-עהל" הנקרא

בלשון ליטיין "סוקצינים" וליתן לו לשתות מעורב בתוך "ווישע"

וואסער" או "סעלטער-וואסער" בערך מן ג' עד ו' טפות ג"פ ביום:

שתן. לעצירת השתן. סגולה שישפוך שמן זית חם בכלי. והחולה ישוּם

שֶׁתֵּן. האמה בתוך הכלי. באופן ישירה הגיד בתוך השמן זית (מ"א):
הסובר על מחלת השתן אל ישתה שום משקה המכיל בקרבו
„אלכאהאל” :

שֶׁתֵּן. מי שאינו יכול לעצור השתן. ובפרט בלילה שמשתיין במטה.
רפואה לעשות לו מרחצאות באמבטי מן גפרית פשוט שיהיה
כתוש לחתיכות קטנות. כן יעשה חודש ימים מרחצאות כאלה :

שֶׁתֵּן. למשתיין במטה רפואה שישתה קודם השינה כף קטנה „סאדי”
של שתיה. מעורב בתוך ה' כפות חלב קר.

שֶׁתֵּן. למשתיין במטה יראו שמראשותיו יהיו נמוכים מן מרגלותיו. והיינו
שתחת רגלי המטה של מרגלותיו יניחו לבנים :

שֶׁתֵּן. מי שאינו יכול לעצור השתן. רפואה לקנות באפטייק „קוממפל”
ע"ה". וישתה החולה איזה פעמים ביום חמשה טפות מזה השמן
מעורב ביין אדום :

שֶׁתֵּן. למשתיין במטה. סגולה ליקח שלחופית יבש מן כבש ולשרוף
אותה בכלי. וישתה האפר מעורב ביין אדום (זכירה) :

אות ת

תהלים. שמוש תהלים.

- להצליח. מזמור נ"ז : מזמור קכ"ב :
להצליח בדירה חדשה. מזמור ס"א :
להצליח בחנות. מזמור ס"ג. מזמור קי"ד :
להצליח בבקשה מאיזה איש. מזמור ד'. מזמור ח'. מזמור ט"ו.
מזמור ל"ד. מזמור ס"ה. מזמור קכ"ב :
להצליח בדרך. מזמור י"ז. מזמור ל"ד :
לזכות בדין. מזמור ז'. מזמור ל"ה. מזמור צ"ג :
לחן בעיני השלמון. מזמור ח'. מזמור ל"ד. מזמור ע"א. מזמור
קכ"ב :
להנצל מצרה ומשביה. מזמור ט"ז. מזמור כ"ה. מזמור כ"ו.
מזמור ס"ז. מזמור ע"א. מזמור ע"ז :

להכניע

להבניע שונאים . מומור ל"ה . מומור מ"ח . מומור נ"ג . מומור נ"ד .
מומור נ"ה . מומור ע"א . מומור ע"ד :

להחזירך על כנך לאומנתך . מומור מ"א . מומור מ"ב . מומור
מ"ג :

להבריה רוח רע ושדים . מומיד י' . מומור ט"ו . מומור צ"א .
מומור קמ"ד :

לפתיחת הלב . מומור ט"ז . מומור י"ט :

לשאלת חלום . מומור כ"ג . מומור מ"ב :

לבקש רחמים על עקרה . מומור ק"ב . מומור ק"ג :

להתפרל על מקשה לילד . מומור כ' :

לכתוב קמיע למעוברת . מומור קכ"ח :

לכתוב קמיע בבית שמתים הילדים . מומור קכ"ו .

תהלים . אמירת כל ספר תהלים מרישא לסיפא בלי שום הפסק היא
סגולה גדולה על כל צרה שלא תבוא ואחר שסיים כל

התהלים יתחיל אשרי האיש ויסיים בהפסוק וכל אשר יעשה יצליח . וגם
יש תקון גדול למי שאינו יכול להתענות על חטא שחטא לומר ג"פ כל
התהלים בליה אחד בלי שום הפסק . ואף שלא יאמר שום יהי רצון בין
ספר לספר (בקבלה) .

תולעים . לתולעים אשר בתוך הספרים . אם נחרבו ומקלקלים את

הספרים עצה טובה לזרוק איזו טפות שמן , מערפאנטען בתוך

ארון הספרים ועל הספרים מבחוץ . ומלבד זה יעמיד בתוך הארון של

הספרים קערה קטנה עם מעט שמן , מערפאנטען . מכל זה יהי נלקט

היטב ריח השמן הזה בתוך הארון ובתוך הספרים . ועי' יברחו

התולעים משם :

תולעים . להמית התולעים אשר על בשר האדם הנקראים , פולץ=ליו או

מענדעוויסקים . רפואה לסוך עליהם עם שמן הנקרא בלשון

ליטיין , לאוואנדיל=עהל . או עם , שארי=מאשץ :

תולעים . לתולעים שבבטן הילדים . יקנה באפטיק , פאסטילקעס לתולעים .

וכפי מספר שנות הילד כן מספר ה , פאסטילקעס שצריך ליקח .

ואחר שאכל אותן ה , פאסטילקעס יתנו לו לשלשל בני מיעוי . וזאת טוב

לעשות בסוף חודש . וכן כל הרפואות והסגולות לתולעים טוב לעשות

בסוף חידש :

תולעים . לתולעים שבבטן הילדים . סגולה שתשרה בצלים קלופים

במים לילה אחד. ולמחרתו נתן להילד לשנתו אותן חפצים.
(מ"א):

תולעים. לתולעים שבבטן הילדים. סגולה לבשר חלב עם שום כתושי.
ותסנן החלב ונתן להילד לשנתו (מ"א):

תולעים. לתולעים שבבטן הילדים. תשכיב את הילד על כתפיו ותמשח
לו תחת החוטם עם מעט, דוֹעַגִּיטִשׁ. אח"כ תמשח את בטנו
ביין שרף חזק. ואח"כ תמשח את בטנו עם מרה של בהמה. כן תעשה
לו ג' ימים תיכף בבקר:

תולעים. לתולעים שבבטן הילדים. סגולה שתקח קמח שעורים מנופה
היטב ותליש את הקמח עם מרה של בהמה ותעשה ממנו
עיסה קטנה. אח"כ תטנן את העיסה בחמאה. ותשים את העיסה על
טבור הילד כשהוא עדיין חם. ותחבוש ממעל שיהי מונח שם מעת
לעת (מרה"ל):

תולעים. לתולעים שבבטן הילדים. סגולה שתקח לענה שקורין, ווערמיט
גם נקרא, פיאָלען. ותחתוך אותו לחתיכות קטנות ודקות
ותטנן אותו בחמאה. והנח על הטבור חם ויצאו התולעים (מ"א):

תולעים. גם אצל גדולים שכיח תולעים כמה מינים. וביותר שכיח תולע
הנקרא, סאַליטר ונקרא ג"כ, באַנד-וואָרם והוא משחית גורא
כי שואב ובולע בקרבו הרבה לחליחות שהגוף נצרך אליו. ולפעמים ארכו
איוו מאות אמות. והוא רחוב ודק. וכאשר צר לו הוא זורק מעצמו חתיכות
חתיכות עם היציאה של הגוף. ולפעמים גם אלו החתיכות אורכן איוו
אמות. והוא מדבק עצמו עם שיניו בבני מעיים. וקשה לגרשו כלה מן
הגוף כי כל זמן שנשארא ראשו הוא מתגדל מהר כבראשונה. אבל עתה
המציאו חכמי הרופאים רפואה טובה מין סם המשכר אותו מאד. ונגרש
תיכף כלו מן הגוף עם ראשו. ומי שיש לו תולע כזה צריך לפנות עצמו
אל רופא מומחה וירפא:

תולעים. אם הילד נחלה מן תולעים ויש לו חום. רפואה ליתן לו ב'
כפות קטנות שמן זית טוב מעורב עם צוקער כתוש. אחר זה
להמתין ב' שעות וליתן לו, רציין-עה"ל.

תורה. סגולה לחידושי תורה שיושפע לו מן השמים אור תורה ויפקחו
עיניו להבין דברי תורה הן בנגלה והן בנסתר. שיהרהר ויכוין
בהשם הקדוש **בהש** בשעה שרוצה לחדש חידושי תורה. (אריו"ל):

תורה. סגולה לחידושי תורה שיבין רזין דאורייתא ויפקחו עיניו לחדש
חידושין

חידושין. יתפיל בכונה ובלב נשבר הפסוקים של אות ט'. מה
אהבתי תורתך וגו'. אח"כ יתפלל ויאמר הפסוק, גל עיני ואביטה נפלאות
מתורתך. ויכוין בזה הצירוף

גַּבְתָּ לַיָּמַי עֲמֻתָּ יְהוָה נִגְרַת יָפֶת וְלֵךְ אָאוּ

ועל ידי זה יפתחו לו מעיינות החכמה ויבין רזין דאורייתא (כסא מלך):
תורה. להבין עמקות התורה. סגולה שיצייר במחשבתו צורת רבו (רו"ח):
תפיסה. סגולה שיזכה בדיון להנצל מהתפיסה. שיאמר בכונה ובלב
נשבר קודם שיכנוס מזמור ל"ד לדוד בשנותו את טעמו וגו'. אח"כ
יאמר הפסוק, אתה סתר לי מצר תצרני רני פלט תסובבני סלה. סלה
תסובבני פלט רני תצרני מצר לי סתר אתה. כך יאמר ג"פ (בקבלה):
תפיסה. להנצל מתפיסה. סגולה שישא אצלו בשעה שמוליכין אותו
לשם גט שנתגרשה בו אשה. ויעזור לו הש"י שיזכה בדיון ויצא
לחפשי (מרה"ל):

תפיסה. סגולה שיצא לחפשי. שישתה עם ג' אוהבים יין שרף לחיים
קודם שיכנוס ויכוונו כלם בשעה שמברכים **שהכל נהיה**
בדברך שהר"ת והס"ת בגימטריא חפשי. ויברכו אותו הג' אוהבים שיעזור
לו הש"י שיזכה בדיון ויצא לחפשי (בקבלה):

תשובה. מי שברח ויצא לתרבות רעה ח"ו. הן בעל שברח מאשתו
הן להיפוך. והן בן או בת שברחו מאביהם ויצאו לתרבות
רעה. סגולה להחזירם בתשובה. שתקח לבינה חרשה וחלקה ותשים אותה
בתנור אש שהוסק בערב שבת לאפות בו חלות על שבת. והלבינה תנוח
שם עד ערב שבת הב' אחר אפיית החלות של שבת הב'. כדי שהלבינה
תתלבן באש של שבת ב' פעמים. ותהי' ב"פ בהתנור יחד עם החלות
של ב' שבתים. ואח"כ תקח משם הלבינה ותכתוב עליה שם החוטא
עם שם אמו בשורה אחת. ותחת אותה השורה תכתוב בזה. "וכשם
שהלבינה הזאת בערה בתנור אש כן יבער לב פב"פ שיצא לתרבות
רעה שיתהפך לבו לשמים לטובה". אח"כ יקרא הכותב ג"פ את הכתב
שכתב על הלבינה. ואח"כ תשים את הלבינה בקבר של צדיק שתניח
שם שבוע אחד או יותר. ותרא פלאים. וזהו בדוק (זכירה):

תשמיש. חתן שנאסר ע"י כשפים מתשמיש המטה. סגולה שיאמר ג"פ
קודם התשמיש פסוק הזה בדקדוק. "דרך גבר בעלמה. דרך
גשר בשמים. דרך נחש עלי צור. דרך אניה בלב ים". ומשלי

ל"א (זכירה):

תשמיש

תשמיש. חתן הנאסר מתשמיש המטה ע"י כשפים. סגולה שילך אצל
נהר שצודין בו דגים הנקראים, העכס" ויקנה דג, העכס"
חי. וישלם בעדו כמה שירצה המוכר בפעם ראשון. וישתין בפי הדג.
ואח"כ ישליכנו תיכף לאותו הנהר כשהוא עדיין חי (מ"א):

תשמיש. הרוצה למעט בתשמיש המטה אבל אינו יכול להתאפק
עצמו. סגולה שישתין בקערת עץ ואח"כ יתחוב בשולי
הקערה מחט חדש. ועי"ז תתמעט תאוותו לאשה עד שיוציא המחט
משם (זכירה):



שער הלחשים.

לחש לכל מיני חולאים.

[ישכב החולה על צדו השמאלית וילחש לו באזנו הימנית ג"פ]
בשם אלהי ישראל. שיק מיר דיין מלאך רפאל דאס ער דעם
 פב"פ היילען זאל פון זיין חולאת. השם יתברך ישמרהו מכל
 חולי ויציילה וירפאהו ממחלתו. אויב עס איז א מחלה פון די ע"ב
 חלאים וואס אויף דער וועלט זענען דא. באשוועהר איך **בשם אל שדי.**
 ביי דעם אלמעכטיגען גאט ברוך הוא. און ביי אלע זיינע געבאט. ביי
 דער זון און די לבנה. און ביי דעם הימלישען העררן גאט ברוך הוא.
 און ביי די מלאכים וועלכע וואהנען ביי אונזער ליבען העררן. ביי נין
 דורות. און ביי נין ספרי תורות. און צעהן אופנים. דאס חולאת זאל
 זיך אבשיידען פון דעם חולה פב"פ. וואס עס איז עהם אין הויז
 אָנגעקומען. אָדער וואָס עס איז עהם אין הויף אָנגעקומען. האָט עס
 עהם דעם ווינט אין די אויגען געווינעט. האָט עס עהם דער רעגען
 געשפּריצט. האָט עס עהם דער האָהן אָנגעקרייט. האָט עס עהם די
 שידית געטוהן. איז עס עהם אין וועג אָדער אין שטעג אָנגעקומען.
 און ווי עס איז אויף עהם געקומען. דאָ היילט דער אלמעכטיגער גאט
 ברוך הוא אויף דיעזער שטונדע. דאָס איז וואָהר אמת ויציב אין גאט
 ברוך הוא'ס נאָמען. און ס'הייזט. וכן יהי רצון. יה בימינו וברוך
 בשמאלו. אלהים מלפניו ואדיר מאחוריו, ושכינת אל על ראשו.
 עושה שלום במרומיו הוא יעשה שלום עלינו ועל כל ישראל. אמן.

לחש לאהבה.

ביום ה' בכקר כאשר אנשי הבית עוד ישנים תקח מלח וזרוק באש ואמור
 כך. „אני לוקח מן פב"פ את בשרו ודמו שישורף לבו אלי באהבה
 עזה כמו ששורף המלח הזה. שלא יוכל להיות בלעדי כמו שלא יכיל הצבי
 להיות בלי אליה והאם בלא ולדה. אמן ס'לה“:

לחש לאהבת האשה את בעלה.

הבעל שאשתו מורדת בו ואינה אוהבת אותו. יקח מעט שערתיה ומעט
 מלח ומעט כסף הי ויצרור כל זה בתוך סמרטוט. ויניח גחלי אש
בתוך כיטי של חרם וישים את הצרור על הגחלים. וכאשר יתחיל להשרף.

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יאמר כך. "בשם שזה הכסף מתהפך על הנחלים כך יתהפך לב אשתך פב"פ באהבה עזה אחר בעלה פב"פ ולא הנוח ולא תשקוט ולא תישן ולא ראכל ולא תשתה עד שתאהוב אותי אהבה עזה. אהבה אמתית. ואהבה תמידית. אמן סלה" (רו"ח):

לחש לאהבת הבעל את אשתו.

הבעל שמרד באשתו והוא שונא אותה בלבו. תקח מלא כף יד מלח בתוש. ומעט סיד חי בתוש לחתיכות קטנות. ותשעה עשר פלפלין שחורים. ומעט כסף חי ותניח כל זה בתוך כיסוי של חרס. אח"כ תשפוך על זה מעט שפריט של יין שרף שיתלחלח הכל. ותעמיד את הכיסוי בתוך תנור אש ביום ה' בבקר כאשר אנשי הבית עוד ישנים. וכאשר תתחיל הכיסוי להשרף תאמר כך. אזוי ווי דאם אלעם וואס דא אין דער שטערץ ליגט ברענט. אזוי זאל ברענען דאס הארץ פון מיין מאן פב"פ צו זיין ווייב פב"פ. ער זאל קיין רוה נישט האבען ביז ער זאל זיך מיט מיר איבערבעהטען. אין זאל מיך ליב האבען מיט א שטארק ליבשאפט אויף עוויג. אמן סלה" (מ"א):

לחש להפוך מאויב לאוהב.

לך קודם זריחת השמש מחוץ לעיר והעמד עצמך עם הפנים לצד מזרח כנגד מקום הזריחה. ובשעה שעולה השמש ונתראה עיגולו תאמר כך. "אני מחויב ליתן לך שלום מאת הקדוש ברוך הוא שברא אותי ואותך. ואני מבקשך שתהיה שליח לפב"פ שיהפך לבו אלי לאויב אותי ולעשות רצוני. וכאשר תחמם ההרים והגבעות כך תחמם דמו ונפשו ובישרו לאהוב אותי תמיד באהבה עזה. אמן סלה". כך תאמר תשעה פעמים רצופים בלי שום הפסק (דרי"ש):

לחש לעצם בגרון.

במסכת שבת (ס"ז.) איתא מי שבלע עצם ונתחב לו בגרונו. יקח ממין העצם ויניח על קרקרו ויאמר כך. "חד חד נחית בלע. בלע נחית חד חד":

לחש לאדרא.

פירוש עצם של דג שישב לאדם בושט יאמר כך. "ננעצתא כמחט, ננעלתא בתרים. שיא שיא":

לחש לעצם בגרון.

מי שבלע עצם בגרונו יקח ממין העצם ויניח על קרקרו ויאמר כך.
יוד יוד נור בלע. בלע נור יוד יוד:

לחש לעצור דם החוטם.

לעצור דם החוטם. יאמר זה הלחש ג' פעמים. „אונטערן שווארצען
יס ליגט אוויסער שטיין. אונטערן שטיין רינען“:
לעצור דם החוטם. יאמר זה הלחש ז' פעמים. „ערות על יאור על
פי יאור וכל מזרע יאור יבש נדף ואיננו. ויסכרו מעינות תהום וארובות
השמים ויכלא הגשם מן השמים. כן יסכרו הוורידין ויכלא הדם לצאת מן
פלוני בן פלוני“:

לחש לעצור דם מילה. מאת מרן הר"ן כ"ץ וצוקלה"ה, הן אמת
חפצת בטוחות ובסתום חכמה הודיעני. המטיב לאדונים. עבדים נקשרים:
לאדם נמע גן. משה קרע את הים. ויסכרו מעינות תהום וארובות
השמים ויכלא הגשם מן השמים. כן יסכרו הוורידין ויכלא הדם לצאת מן
הילד הנימול פב"פ. כן יאמר ג' פעמים ויועיל:

לחש לעצור דם השותת מן מכת ברזל. יסבב באצבע הקמנה
מסביב להפצע ויאמר זה הלחש ג' פעמים. „שבעה אחים עומדים בגשר.
ושבעה קרדומות בידם. ושבעה עצים רעננים היו מקצצים. ושבעה הרים
וגבעות מסתתמין הפצע אשר הדם מטפטף ממנו אצל פב"פ אמן נצח סלה
ועד“ (ימ"ג):

לחש להנצל מכלי זין.

[תשא עיניך לשמים ותאמר ג' פעמים]. די ערד איז הויך. דער
הימל איז מיין הויט. די ערד איז מיין שיך. גאט ברוך הוא זאל זיין
מיין באשערמער. דאס מיך קיין שווערר נישט שנייד. דאס מיך קיין מאן
נישט שים. דאס מיך קיין וואססער נישט פארגיס. דאס ווערט וואהר בשם
אלהי אברהם אלהי יצחק ואלהי יעקב. אמן נצח סלה ועד. (כת"י):

לחש במקום סכנה מאויבים.

כשרואה שעומד במקום סכנה מחמת שונאים שבאים עליו יאמר זה
הלחש ג' פעמים. „פגעתי אויבי וראיתי איתם והם לא יראוני. אני אמשול
בם והם לא ימשלו בי. דבריהם יהיו לארץ ודברי יהיו עליהם. ראשם
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ראש חמור וראשי ראש אריה. לשונם לשון חזיר ולשוני לשון מלך. שלייתו
ראימיהו בפומהון. יוהד ישמרני. שדי יצילני. מפמפיה יהיה בינינו
(מדה"ל):

לחש עבור מעוברת שלא תפיל.

יקח נא ביד ימנית, בענדיל" ארוך ד' אמות ויאמר כך. רבנו של
עולם בכח זה הפסוק שאמר יחזקאל הנביא. ויאמר אלי ה' השער הזה
סגור יהיה לא יפתח ואיש לא יבוא בו כי ה' אלהי ישראל בא בו והיה
סגור. כן יהיה סגור רחמה של אשה הרה הזאת שלא תפיל פרי בטנה
ותלד בעתה ובזמנה זרע של קיומא. אמן סלה נצח ועד:
ובאם יהיה נעשה זאת ע"י בעל מוח שיודע לכוון בפסוק הזה
הכוונות הראויות לכיון. וגם שיש לו לב טהור ופה קדוש וידיים נקיות אז
יכול להיות במוח שנעשה, בענדיל" הזה מסוגל שכל זמן שתלך אשה
הרה עם הבענדיל" הזה קשור על בטנה לא תפיל בעזרת השי"ת. ותזהר
להסיר את הבענדיל" באמצע חודש התשיעי (בקבלה):
(ענין הזה מובא גם בספר מרהי"ל אבל קטוע וחסר)

לחש למקשה לילד.

לאשה שמת הולד בבטנה ח"ו. קח כוס מלא מים שתוקים בידך
ואמור לפני האשה זה הלחש.
שלשה מלאכים נחתו מן שמיא. ועמהון תלת שרביטין. חד חיורא.
חד אוכמא. חד סימקא. חיורא סליק ומחא לשמיא ואתא מיטרא.
סימקא מחא לימא בשרביטא ופלגיתו. אוכמא מחא לסיטרא רפב"פ
ואתיא מולדתא ושליותא בשלם:
אח"כ תן להאשה לשתות מים מן הכוס כפי רצונה. ולצורך גדול
שהיא מקשה לילד ויש לפחד מסכנה. מותר לומר זה הלחש אף אם
הולד חי. ויועיל בעזרת השי"ת (ת"א):

לחש לעין הרע.

שלש נשים עומדות על שן סלע. אחת אומרת פב"פ חולה. ואחת
אומרת פב"פ אינו חולה. ואחת אומרת פב"פ אינו חולה ולא יחלה לעולם.
אם איש עשה לו (לה) את הדבר הרע הזה בכוונה יפלו שערות ראשו
וזקנו וגבות עיניו. ואם אשה עשתה לו (לה) בכוונה את הדבר הרע הזה
יפלו

יפלו שערות ראשה וגבות עיניה ודדיה. וכשם שהים אין לו דרך. והרג אין לו כוליא. והנמלה אין לה עצם. כך לא תשלוט עין הרע בפב"פ ולא תהיה לו (לה) שום חולשה. בכח הכתוב בן פורת יוסף בן פורת. עלי עין בנות צעדה עלי שור. שור עלי צעדה בנות עין עלי פורת בן יוסף פורת בן. עלי באר ענו לה באר חפרוה שרים כרוה נדיבי עם במחוקק במשענותם ממדבר מתנה וממתנה נחליאל ומנחליאל במות ומבמות הגי. וכשם שנתרפא יחזקיהו מלך יהודה מחליו בן יתרפא (תתרפא) במהרה פב"פ וישיב לאיתנו (ותשיב לאיתנה) בכח השם הקדוש היוצא מן הראשי תיבות של אַתָּה גְבוּר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנִי. וקודם שימנה תשעה ירפא הקב"ה אותו (אותה) כאמור את מספר ימיו אמלא וברך את לחמך ואת מימך והסירותי מחלה מקרבך. כן יהי רצון אמן סלה נצח ועד:

וזה הלחש מקובל מאת הגאון הצדיק הקדוש וכו' הרבי ר' שמעלקי מניקלשבערג וצוקלה"ה:

לחש לעין הרע.

ויצעק משה אל ה' לאמר. אל נא רפא נא לה. אוזי וזי מען קאן נישט אבצחלען קיין ניין. אוזי זאל אצל פב"פ קיין עין הרע נישט שולט זיין. נישט ניין. נישט אכט. נישט זיבען. נישט זעקס. נישט פינף. נישט פיער. נישט דריי. נישט צוויי. נישט איינס: נישט איינס. נישט צוויי. נישט דריי. נישט פיער. נישט פינף. נישט זעקס. נישט זיבען. נישט אכט. נישט ניין. די בעדייטונג פון דעם שפרוך איז אוזי. אין די תורה שטעהט צעהן ווערטער. אוזי וזי אין די תורה קאן מען נישט אבצחלען קיין ניין. בעווייל עס איז נישט דא קיין ניין. אוזי זאל אצל פב"פ קיין עין הרע נישט שולט זיין:

(ספר ספורי יעקב בשם הגאון הצדיק הר"א זצ"ל אבר"ק פפר"מ):

לחש לעין הרע.

ואני תפלתי לך ה' עת רצון אלהים ברב חסדך ענני כאמת ישעך (ג"פ) ואני ברוב חסדך אבוא ביתך אשתחוה אל היכל קדשך ביראתך (ג"פ) בן פורת יוסף בן פורת עלי עין בנות צעדה עלי שור (ג"פ) רבנו של עולם בכח השמות הקדושים היוצאים מן הפסוקים האלה מראשי תיבות ומאמצעי תיבות תסיר עין הרעה מן פב"פ ותשלח לו (לה) במהרה

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במהרה רפואה שלמה מן השמים. אמן סלה נצח ועד. ויהי רצון כאלו
ביונתי כל דכונות שכיון בהן רב הונא עליו השלום ;
(קרניים בהוספה מספרים אחרים קדמונים)

לחש לעין הרע .

משביע אני עליכם כל מין עינא בישא. עינא אוכמא. עינא צרובא.
עינא תכלתא. עינא ירוקא. עינא ארוכה. עינא קצרה. עינא רחבה. עינא
צרה. עינא ישרה. עינא עקומא. עינא עגולא. עינא שוקעת. עינא בולטת.
עינא רואה. עינא מבטת. עינא בוקעת. עינא שואבת. עינא דדכורא.
עינא דנוקבא. עינא דאיש ואשתו. עין דאשה ובתה. עין דאשה וקרובתה.
עין דבחור. עין דזקן. עין דזקנה. עין דבתולה. עין דבעולה. עין
דאלמנה. עין דנשואה. עין דגרושה. וכל מין עינא בישא שיש בעולם
שראתה והביטה ודברה בעין הרע על פב"פ. גזרנא ואשב"עא לכון בההוא
עינא עילאה. עינא קדישא. עינא חדא. עינא חזרה. עינא דאיה חזרה
גזרנא חזרה. עינא דכליל כל חזרה. עינא דכלא ימינא. עינא דפיקחא. עינא
דאשנחותא דדירא. עינא דכלא רחמי. עינא דאיה רחמי גזרנא רחמי. עינא
דכליל כל רחמי. עינא דלית עצה גבנוני. עינא דלא אדמיך ולא נאים.
עינא דכל עיינין בישין אתכפיין ואתסמרון לנו כיפין מן קדמוהי. עינא
דנמיר לישראל. כדכתיב הנה לא ינום ולא יישן שומר ישראל. וכתיב
הנה עין ה' אל יראיו למיחלים לחסדו. בההוא עינא עילאה גזרנא
ואשב"עית עליכון כל מין עינא בישא שתסירו ותערקו ותברחו מעל פב"פ
ולא יהי לכם כח לשלוט בו לא ביום ולא בלילה לא בהקיץ ולא בחלום
ולא בשום אבר מרמ"ח איבריו ולא בשום גיד משמ"ה גידיו (לנקבה). ולא
בשום אבר מאבריה ולא בשום גיד מגידיה) ולא בשערותיו ולא בצפורניו
(לנקבה). ולא בשערותיה ולא בצפורניה) מעתה ועד עולם. אמן נצח סלה
ועד. אתה סתר לי מצר תצרני רני פלם תסובבני סלה. סלה תסובבני
פלם רני תצרני מצר לי סתר אתה. בן פורת יוסף בן פורת עלי עין
בנות צעדה עלי שור. שור עלי צעדה בנות עין עלי פורת בן יוסף
פורת בן. יושב בסתר (וכו' עד גמירא);

(מספר עה"ק בהוספה מספרים אחרים קדמונים)

לחש לעין הרע.

(מצאתי בספר כ"י זה הלחש הנ"ל בקיצור בזה הנוסח)
משביע אני עליכון כל מין עינא בישא שבעולם שראתה והביטתה
ודברה בעין הרע על פב"פ. גורנא ואשבענא לכון בההיא עינא עילאה.
עינא קדישא. עינא פקחא דנבר לישראל לעלמין. כדכתיב הנה לא ינום
ולא יישן שומר ישראל: וכתיב הנה עין ה' אל יראיו למיחלים לחסדו.
שתסורו ותערקו מעל פב"פ. ולא יהי לכם כח לשלוט בו (כה) לא בשום
אבר מרמ"ח אבריו ולא בשום גיד משמ"ה גידיו (לא בשום אבר מאבריה
ולא בשום גיד מגידיה) לא בשערותיו ולא בצפורניו (לא בשערותיה ולא
בצפורניה) מעתה ועד עולם. בכח הפסוקים. אתה סתר לי מצר תצרני
רני פלט תסובבני סלה. סלה תסובבני פלט רני תצרני מצר לי סתר
אתה. בן פורת יוסף בן פורת עלי עין בנות צעדה עלי שור. שור עלי
צעדה בנות עין עלי פורת בן יוסף פורת בן. יושב בסתר (וכו') עד
גמירא). ויהי רצון מלפניך אתה גבור לעולם אדני אלהי ישראל אל
שדרי שתשלח במהרה את המלאך רפאל לרפא את פב"פ לחיים ולשלום
אמן סלה נצח ועד:

לחש לכל מיני קדחת.

ישתין החולה בתוך כר חרש של חרס ביום ה' בערב ויעמיד את
הכר על כל הלילה תחת מטתו. וביום ו' בבקר קודם זריחת השמש
יקח החולה את הכר עם השתן וילך אל אילן הנקרא "האדער פוים"
ויקבור את הכר עם השתן תחת האילן בארץ. ויאמר בשעת הטמנת הכר
זה הלחש ג' פעמים.

שווינד זוכט. געל זוכט. זומער זוכט. זיבען און זיבענציג אלערליי
געזוכט. איז בעסער איך בעגרעב דיך אידער די סוף. דאס ווערט וואהר
אין גאטס נאמען אמן סלה (ת"א):

לחש לכאב הראש.

לכאב ראש הנקרא "מיגרענא" תאמר ו' פעמים זה הלחש בהניח
ידך הימנית על ראש החולה.

"הישועה הזאת עשה בישראל. חי ה' אם יפול משערות ראשו
ארצה. ויפדו העם את יונתן ולא מת. יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלהי ואלהי
אבותי מלך הרוחמים שתרחם על פב"פ ותסיר ממנו כאב הראש ומיחוש

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הראש. ותרפאהו ברפואה שלמה שישוב אל בריאותו כבראשונה בזכות שמותיך הקדושים היוצאים מן הפסוקים האלה. לה' הישועה על עמך ברכתך סלה. ה' הושיעה המלך יעננו ביום קראנו. אמן נצח סלה ועד" (ימ"ג):

עוד לחש לכאב ראש.

מיחוש הראש היה על שפת הים, כסוס היה רץ. כנחש היה נושך. כאיל היה מדלג. כשור היה גועה. פגע בו מיכאל המלאך. אמר לו מיכאל אנה תלך. אמר לו אני הולך לאיש פב"פ לישוב על מצחו ולהוציא את עיניו. א"ל מיכאל רשבעה שלא תריץ כך ואל תלך לשם. ואל תוציא את עיני פב"פ. אלא לך ותשב נגדי. והלך וישב (רו"ח):

לחש לכאב שיניים.

כאשר תראה את הלבנה בפעם ראשון אחר המולד תאמר כך, „איוב היה מהלך בדרך. פגע בו אליהו הנביא וזכור לטוב. ואמר לו מפני מה אתה מצטער. אמר לו איוב מפני כאב השיניים שיש לי. אמר לו אליהו לך וטבול עצמך בנהר דינור ותתרפא. ונתרפא. ומי שריפא לאיוב הוא ירפא אותי פב"פ. שלא אדע עוד מן כאב שיניים. אמן סלה נצח ועד". (באה"מ):

לחש לכאב שיניים.

(במקום אחר מצאתי לחש הנ"ל בנוסח הזה). „איוב היה מהלך בדרך והיה שרוי בצער. שאל לו הקדוש ברוך הוא. מפני מה אתה שרוי בצער. השיב לו איוב בשביל הכאב שיש לי בשיניים שלי. א"ל הקב"ה לך אל נהר ששמו גרינדא ושתה מימיו ולא יהיה לך עוד שום כאב כלל. וכך לא יהיה עוד שום כאב בשיניים של פב"פ סעתה ועד עולם אמן סלה נצח ועד". [זה הלחש יאמר החולה בעצמו. או שילחוש עליו איש אחר בהנחת אצבעו על השן הכואב. או בהנחת ידו על הלחי אשר כנגד מקום הכאב]:

לחש לכאב שיניים.

כאשר יראה החולה את הלבנה בפעם ראשון אחר המולד ישא את עיניו נגד הלבנה ויאמר הלחש הזה. „די לבנה איז אין הימעל. איך בין אויף די ערד. דער שטיין איז טיעף אין ים. דער בעהר איז טיעף אין וואלד. אזוי ווי עס קאן איינס צום אנדערען נישט צו קומען. אזוי זאל צו מיר קיין ציין-ווייטאג נישט קאנען צו קומען. אמן סלה נצח ועד". (כת"י):

לחש על שמן זית.

תקח בידך הימנית הכלי עם השמן זית ותאמר עליו י"ד פעמים זה הפסוק בן ישעי' י"ט. "ערות על יאור, על פי יאור, וכל מזרע יאור, יבש גרף ואיננו". וצריך לבוין שהראשי תיבות של שש תיבות הראשונות הוא עעי עפי בגימטריא שי במנין עשרה פעמים אל הרומו על חסד. כמו שכתוב חסד אל לל זיוס, והראשי תיבות של שש תיבות האחרונות הוא ומי ינו בגימטריא יבק הרומו על היחוד של השלשה שמות אהיה יהוה אדני. והשאר יבין המבין מעצמו. ובכח הכונה הרצויה ע"י לב מהור ופה קדוש וידים נקיות נעשה השמן זית הזה מסוגל לגרש כל כאב וכל נפוח וכל מחלה לסוך עמו במקום הכאב:

(הספר אביעה חידות מביא סגולה זו אבל חסד שם הרבה):

אזהרות ובללים לבותפי קמיעות.

בספר תולדות אדם ס"י קצ"א החמיר מאד בחומרות גדולות בענין טהרת כותב הקמיע. אבל זה דבר קשה. ועל כן אנכי בספרי זה לא הבאתי הקמיעות שהם השבעות לשמות מלאכים אדירים תרשישים ושרפים. כמוכא בספר תולדות אדם כי אם ביררתי אותן שהם רק לירופי שמות קדושים מן פסוקים המדברים מענין הישועה המבוקשה. וקמיעות כאלה הם רק במקום הפלה תדירות כמוכא בספרי הקבלה. ולזאת לא הבאתי בזה גם החומרות הגדולות של הספר תולדות אדם. חמוס הבאתי מה שחזן מאד לדעת ולהזהר לכל כותבי קמיעות. ודי בזה בעזרת השי"ת:

וזה תולדות אדם בקליר. כותבי קמיעות לריכין להיות בעלי יראת שמים עם טהרת הגוף ונקיות המקום. וע"כ אל יגוש אל אשתו עכ"פ כלילה שלפני יום הכתיבה. ובצקר קודם הפלת שחרית יטבול עלמו במקוה אחר שיחתוך לפורני ידיו ורגליו. ואחר ההפלה יתן ב' מטבעות ללדקה. אחת עבור אותו האיש שכותב עבורו הקמיע. ואחת עבור עלמו. ולריך ללבוש מקודם בגדים נקיים. ואם ח"ו ראה קרי כלילה. אז אל יקרב בשום אופן ביום המחרת לכתוב קמיע. כי עי"ז יש סכנה לנשמתו וח"ו קודמין. ואף אם יש פקוח נפש ח"ו אל יסתכן עלמו לכתוב. אבל אם לא ראה קרי כלילה רק ששימש ממתו בלילות הלילה. אזי אם אי אפשר להליל מן סכנת נפשות באופן אחר. מותר לו לכתוב הקמיע אחר שיטבול עלמו כמה טבילות וילבוש בגדים נקיים וכתונת נקי. אבל אם אפשר להליל את החילה מן הסכנה באופן אחר אל יכתוב לו קמיע בלתי פרישה עכ"פ כליל הקודש. וגם יזהר מאד הסופר לכתוב הקמיע במקום נקי וטהור. וקודם הכתיבה ירחוך ידיו היטב. ויכוין

טהרה

מטרת עשר אלצעותיו היא נגד עשר ספירות העליונות. אח"כ יאמר ויהי
נועם יושב בסתר עד גמירא. ואח"כ יתפלל תפלה זו בכוונה כנגד מזרח.
יהי רצון מלפניך אלהי אשר אלהי ה' צבאות אלהי ישראל
שיצליח פב"פ על ידי קמיע זה שאנכי פב"פ כותב עבודתי. יהיו
לרצון אמרי פי והגיון לבי לפניך ה' צורי וגואלי. אמן סלה נצח ועד
אח"כ ירעט ויכתוב ויזהר בכל דיני הכתיבה כמו בכתיבת סת"ס:

וזה הספר מפעלות חלקים בקיטור. כל מי אשר יערוב לבו להתעסק
בקדושים לריך שיהי' לו התגלים שמכרים בפרק עשרה יוחסין. לנוע
ומעלי וכו'. ויהי' נזהר מלשנות כלל וכלל. רק שיהיו נכתבים בדקדוק גדול.
וכל המשנה ידו על התחתונה. וגורם פגם להחולה וגם לגפשו ולנשמתו ועון
גדול בידו. והנה אנכי שאלתי את המקובל המפורסם מוה"ר יואל בעל שם
זולקלה"ה שהאר"י ז"ל סותר דברי עלמו. כי במקום אחד מפליג באיסור
שימוש ע"י שמות הקדושים. משום שאין לנו אפר פרה וכלנו עמא
מתים. ובמקום אחר מתיר אם הוא בענין אמת. והשיב לי שיש ב' אופנים
בענין זה. אופן א' היותר גדול והיותר מסוכן הוא הנקרא שימוש בשמות
הקדושים בפועל ובחוש. שעושה מעשים נפלאים חוץ מדרך הטבע לעין כל.
כמו למשך יין מן הכותל. או לכבש שרפה פתאם בלי מים. או להפוך
אבן ללחם וצדק לזהב וכדומה. אופן ב' הוא לעשות השכחות או לכתוב
קמיעות עם שמות הקדושים כדי להגן על הגפגע לגרש בזה את החילונים
וכחות הטומאה המביאים בכנפם כל מיני מחלות ומגפות רח"ל. והנה בענין
אופן א' לריך לדעת ולהזהר באותן השמות הקדושים שלריכס עזר: של אפר
פרה. ואמנם כי גם באופן הזה יש שמות שקדושתן נשגב ונורא מאד מאד
עד שאין לריכין מן הדן כל עהרה. על דרך הכתוב הלא כה דברי כאש.
מה אם אין מקבל טומאה כך וכו'. אבל ודאי מ"מ מפני כבוד השם לריך
עהרה גדולה בכל מה דאפשר. ובענין אופן הב' די בודאי עהרת הגוף ע"י
טבילה עם עהרת הלב וגקיות בגדים וגקיות המקום של הכתיבה. כי אין
זה נקרא כלל משתמש בשמות. רק ענין הדבר הוא שכחות הטומאה והחילונים
בשמעם ההשכחות או בדחוקם הקמיעות מתפחדים ויראים ובורחים משם
מחמת יראה או מחמת שאינם יכולים לסבול ולעמוד נגד אור הקדושה שנמשך
לשם ע"י פעולה זו. ובורחים כמו שבורח החשך מן האור. והרי פעולה זו
כמו הפעולה של קריאת שמע ואמירה ויהי נועם יושב בסתר שמסוגל לגרש
את החילונים. ובאם ענין הקמיע הוא לפעול הריון והללחה וכדומה. על פי
רוב קמיע כזו היא מן לירופי שמות של איזה פסוק המדבר מענין ישועה זו.
והרי פעולה זו כענין תפלה תדירית. ובאם איש הזה אינו ראוי לעשות פעולה
זו אין להפעילה כח הראוי למשך אותו האור הנלך. וגם אין החילונים
מתפעלים מאומה מזה. כמו שאין השטן מתפעל בראש השנה מתקיעת שופר
של איי או מתקיעת שופר כל אדם רשע. ודבר זה ידוע ומוכן ליודעי חן:
עוד מובא בספר תולדות אדם כללים האלה. כל מקום שנכתב שלריך לילך
בקמיע

בקמיע תמיד. רעפ"כ רשות להסירו בשעת רחילה ומצילה. ואם הקמיע בחור תיק של עור רשות ליכנס לבית הכבוד עם הקמיע:

רשות להפועל לכתוב להנפיל כל הקמיעות השייכים לזה. וגם לעשות כל הרפואות בדרך הטבע. ואין קמיע אחת סותר קמיע שנית. גם אין פעולה גשמיות סותרת כח הקמיע. ואין כח הקמיעות סותר את הפעולה הגשמית. אמנם לריך לכתוב כל קמיע על קלף מיוחד. ואף שיכתוב כמה קמיעות לפעולה אחת. אבל רשות להשים כל הקמיעות בחיק אחד:

לפעמים יש חילוף נוסחאות בקמיעות. חזי רשות לכתוב כל קמיע לפי המסחה שלו. רק שכל קמיע יהי נכתב על חתיכה קטנה מיוחדת:

כל דבר שאדם קונה לשם רפואה הן אם קונה קמיע והן אם קונה רפואה לריך לקנות לשם רפואה של פנ"צ וליתן כמה שרוב המוכר צפצפס ראשון:

כל מקום שזכר לשים הקמיע בהמטה. הפירוש הוא לשים הקמיע בחיק ולהניח תחת הכר. אבל קמיע שחולין על וילון המטה או על הכותל או למקשה לילד אין לריך תיק:

יש קמיעות שלא זכר בהם שם הנפיל. מ"מ מהני הקמיע מאחר שהפועל מזכיר שם הנפיל ביום הכתיבה כנ"ל. אמנם ליחר שאת יכתוב שם הנפיל פנ"פ בשולי הקמיע. דהיינו שאחר סיום נוסח הקמיע יכתוב בזה הלשון — „רפואה מן שמים לפנ"פ הנושא קמיע זה אמן סלה וכן יהי רצון“ — ואל ישנה הסופר מזה כי זאת אין מקלקל בודאי. ולפעמים יכול לתקן בזה:

אלו הקמיעות אשר לפעולת ההריון לריבה האשה לתלותן על לוארה. באופן שמקום הקמיע יהי תמיד בין דדיה הן בשעת התשמים והן בשעת הליכה. ותלך בה בכל ימי טהרתה:

במקום שזכר לקשור את הקמיע על ירך המקשה לילד או על המלת לריך שלא יהיה דבר חולץ בין הקלף של הקמיע ובין בשרה והכתב יהיה למעלה. אבל לריך לכסות את הכתב בחתיכה בגד פשתן לבן וגני. וענין הקשירה לריך למשוך בפאות הקלף ב' משיחות ולכרוך מסביב הראש או הירך ולקשור:

כל מקום שלא נרשם בלדו איזה שם יהיה נכתב בתחילת השיטה ואיזה שם בסוף השיטה מדע שאין עיטוב בדבר. ובלבד שלא תחלק שם אחד לכתבו ב' שיטות:

לא יאמר הפועל שדוקא הוא ללייר הליורים בקמיע כמו שדפסס בהספר כדוגמתן באורכן ורוחבן. אלא רשות לו לכתוב גדולים יותר או קטנים יותר. רק שיזהר שתהיה הלורה כמו בהספר:

בכל קמיעות שיכתוב פנ"פ לריך לכתוב בן פלונית על שם אמו: **אם** ישנה שמה בין לריך להיות בין כשר. בלי שום חשש נסך. ולריך למבול את הכלי:

ל"ב ב"א
צ"ק ט"ה
ל"ג ד"א
ל"ד

ל"ג

ואני הקטן מחבר ספר הזה מוסיף אזכרה על כל אזכרות הגיל. שזהר הסופר מלכתוב קמיע טרם ידע בצירור לירוף הקמיע על נכון. כי כמעט כל הקמיעות הנדפסות בספרים. משובשים המה מחמת טעות הדפוס. כי על פי רוב הצעלי מגיחים בהדפוסין אין להם ידיעה בענינים כאלה. ושאר השגישים בלתי מתוקן. על כן אני מזהיר ככה. וכל השומע לי יעמוד על הברכה:

עוד איתא בספר מפעלות חלקים שכותב הקמיע לריך להזהר מאד בעניני המלאכים לדעת מאיזה כחות הם. אם מרחמים או מזדונין. גם לריך להזהר שלא לכתוב קמיע כי אם בשעת שליטת הכוכבים האלה. לדק. חמה. נוגה. כוכב:

אמנם לא אבין דבריו מדוע בחר השעות לכתוב קמיעות רק בזמן שליטת ארבעת הכוכבים האלה. כי הלא יש סתירה לדבריו מן הספר ריזאל המלאך. שכתב שם בספר המזלות. וזה לשונו:

אלה השעות מימי השבוע הראוים לכתוב בהן קמיעין. יום א' שעה ז'. יום ב' שעה ה'. יום ג' שעה א'. יום ד' שעה ב'. יום ה' שעה ד'. יום ו' שעה ו'. ושמן ז' שעות האלה הוא זה אבד הי. עד כאן לשונו: **ועתה** לא חשב עפ"י הכלל הידוע מסדר שליטת ז' כוכבי לכת בימים ובלילות ששמן של סדר התחלת הימים הוא חלם בצנש. ושמן של סדר התחלת הלילות הוא בצנש חלם. נמצא שביום א' שעה ז' הוא זמן שליטת מאדים. וביום ב' שעה ה' הוא זמן שליטת חמה. וביום ג' שעה א' הוא זמן שליטת מאדים. וביום ד' שעה ב' הוא זמן שליטת לבנה. וביום ה' שעה ד' הוא זמן שליטת נוגה. וביום ו' שעה ו' הוא זמן שליטת לרק. ובשעה י' הוא זמן שליטת לבנה. הרי בפירוש שגם בזמן שליטת מאדים ולבנה מתיר הספר ריזאל לכתוב קמיעין. ועוד קשה דמנא ליה להספר מ"א שמוחר לכתוב קמיעין גם בשעה שליטת כוכב. שהרי באותן ז' שעות שמוכר הספר ריזאל שולטים רק אלה הכוכבים. מאדים. חמה. לבנה. לרק. וגם דברי הספר ריזאל קשה להבין. דממנ"פ אם מותר לכתוב קמיעין בזמן שליטת ארבעת הכוכבים האלה ב' ח' ל' צ'. למה חשב רק ז' שעות בשבוע. הלא יש עוד כמה שעות בשבוע ששולטים בהן ד' כוכבים האלה:

ועוד קשה יותר ויותר שהרי יש סתירה גדולה מדברי הספר ריזאל. הן לדברי עצמו. והן לדברי הספר מ"א. שהרי כתב עוד שם בספר ריזאל באותו העמוד שמחיל ספר המזלות. וזה לשונו:

ואלה ימי החודש אשר הם ראוים לכתוב קמיעין. א. כל היום. ב. בקר. ג. לא כלום. ד. כל היום. ה. בקר. ו. לא כלום. ז. בקר. ח. בקר. ט. לא כלום. יא. בקר. יב. כל היום. יג. לא כלום. יד. בקר. טו. לא כלום. טז. בקר. יז. ערב. יח. ימ. יט. לא כלום. כא. בקר. כב. כל היום. כג. לא כלום. כד. בקר. כה. כל היום. כו. לא כלום. כז. בקר. כח. כל היום. כט. לא כלום. ל. בקר. עד כאן לשונו:

וכל

זכר יודע ומזין יראה ויבין שחשבון השני של הספר ריזאל סותר דברי עלמו בחשבון הראשון. וגם יש סתירה מדבריו לדברי הספר מ"א. ואיננו רוצה להאריך בזה לזכר הסתירות. כי אני סומך בזה על המצב מעלמו. ועוד נפלאות הוא בעיני מה שכתב עוד בספר ריזאל. וזה לשונו: **הכותב** קמיע יאמר "בשם די צרא שמיא וארעא אכתוב זה הקמיע לפלוני בן פלונית. ובשם המלאך הממונה בשעה הזאת של יום הזה". עכ"ל.

משמע מדבריו שכותב הקמיע לריך להזכיר שם המלאך הממונה על אותה השעה. והוא על פי הסדר של שליטת הז' כוכבי לכת. אבל הרי סותר את דברי עלמו בענין שמות המלאכים האלה בד' מקומות. פקח עיניך וראה שם בדף ד' עמוד ב' שמיא סדר שליטת המלאכים בזמן חלוקת הז' כוכבי לכת כזה. שבתאי מיכאל. לזק ברקיאל. מאדים גבריאל. חמה דודניאל. נוגה חסדיאל. כוכב צדקיאל. לבנה עניאל. ובדף י"ג עמוד ב' מציא סדר אחר כזה. שבתאי מיכאל. לזק ברקיאל. מאדים גבריאל. חמה רפאל. נוגה חסדיאל. כוכב צדקיאל. לבנה עניאל. ועוד שם בלוח העמוד מציא סדר אחר כזה על פי נוסחא נכונה. שבתאי מיכאל. לזק צדקיאל. מאדים סמאל. חמה רפאל. נוגה עניאל. כוכב ברקיאל. חסדיאל. לבנה גבריאל. ובדף כ"ו עמוד ב' מציא עוד סדר אחר כזה. שבתאי מיכאל. לזק צדקיאל. מאדים סמאל. חמה רפאל. נוגה קפציאל. כוכב מיכאל. לבנה גבריאל. נמלא דאליבא דכל הדעות כך הוא סדר שליטתן.

שבתאי	מיכאל
צדק	צדקיאל או ברכיאל או ברקיאל
מאדים	סמאל או גבריאל
חמה	רפאל או דודניאל
נוגה	חסדיאל או ענאל או קפציאל
כוכב	צדקיאל או ברקיאל או מיכאל
לבנה	גבריאל או ענאל או עניאל

וא"כ מי יוכל לעמוד על דעתו לזכר הדברים לאמיתתן ולהכריע בין הדעות. ואין ע"ז כי אם ללכת ידי כל הדעות. דהיינו להזכיר איזה שמות מלאכים ביחד

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ביחד. אותן שיש להסתפק עליהם. וכל זה אם היו שמות כאלה שמוחר להזכירם. והיינו שמות כאלה אשר נתנו גם לאנשים להקרא בהם. אבל אלה השמות אשר מעולם לא נקראו אנשים ככה. הרי חסור להזכירם על חנם. אי"כ גם עלה הזאת לאו עלה טובה היא:

שוב ראיתי עוד מניעה אחרת אשר אין באפשרות ללכת ידי כל הדעות של הספר ריזאל בענין כתיבת קמיעין. שהרי מביא עוד שם בחלק הנקרא ספר נח דף ל' עמוד ב'. וזה לשונו:

בר מי שרולה לכתוב קמיע לדרך לכתוב תחלה שמות המלאכים הממונים על אותה התקופה וכו'. ומחשב שם שמות אותן המלאכים של הדי תקופות השנה. והנה שם באותו העמוד מביא תיכף איזה נוסחאות שונות בשמות המלאכים ההם. מלבד מה שמפוזר שם בכל הספר שמות מלאכי התקופות אשר לא הרי זה כהרי זה. ואין דרך ברור להכריע בין אותן הדעות והנוסחאות:

ולראות הדרך הישר הוא ללכת לגמרי מן המצובה הזאת. ועל דעתי כי כל אלה האוהרות של הספר ריזאל להזכיר מלאכי מזרות השמים או גם מלאכי התקופות קודם כתיבת הקמיע. וכן ענין דקדוק השמות והימים. כל זה שייך רק בענין כתיבת קמיעין של השבעות מלאכים להשתמש עמהם להכריחם שיעשו רעון האדם. ובעיני נראה זאת לאיסור גמור. ואף שבעל הספר מ"א רולה בדרך אחד להקל בענין השבעות למלאכים כנ"ל. אבל אנו אין לנו אלא דברי חז"ל שאמרו על בכל קראנו אליו. אליו ולא למידותיו. ועוד אמרו לא תלוח לא למיכאל ולא לגבריאל וכו'. בלתי לה' לבדו. ומכל שכן מלאכי מזרות השמים שאין לנו להשען עליהם ולפנות בבקשה אליהם כלל וכלל. כי עליהם כתוב אשר חלק ה"א אותם לכל העמים. וגם הבט וראה מה דאיתא בספר ריזאל דף י"ג עמוד ב'. וזה לשונו „ואעפ"י שהן ממונים אין להם רשות להטיב ולא להרע. אלא הכל בצווי ה' וכו'. ובדבריו הכל. שכן הוא אומר כי לא ירעו וגם לא יטיבו. עכ"ל. ומה שאיתא בספר ריזאל בהרבה מקומות השבעות למלאכים וגם קמיעות כאלה. אין גרירה משם. כי הספר ריזאל הוא ספר המורכב מן תערובות חלקי ספרים ישנים גם חדשים בלי שום סדר הגון. והישישים הן נתגלו בעולם עוד קודם מהן תורה. קודם שנאמר לישראל כל ערפי עבודה זרה. אפי' עבודה זרה שעי' השתתפות. מה שלא נאמר לבני נח. ומלק אחד יש בספר ריזאל שנקרא בשם ספר נח. והא ראוי שהרי מביא שם להקריב תרגול לבן אל החמה. האם יעלה על הדעת שזאת מותר לישראל. ואלה חלקי ספרים הישנים אשר בספר ריזאל נמלאים גם בספרי הרומיים בלשון ליטיין עוד יותר הרבה ממה שנדפס בספר ריזאל שלנו. ועיין במדרש חלפיות אות כ' ענף כשוף שכתב שם בזה הלשון. ואני הממנה ראיתי ספר בלשון טולרי. קורין אותו ספר אדם הראשון. וראיתי גם דברים מתמיהים בתכלית הבקאות. ושם כל כחות השמימיות ושריהם ומילופיהן ומילופי

וחילופי חילופיהן ודרכם וכחותם וזמני שלטונותם של שעות וימים שבועות
יחדשים ותקופות ומולדות וחלי שנה ושנה. ושמות מלאכי קודש ושמות מלאכי
חבלה המניעים הגלגלים והמזלות וכוכבי לכת לילותיהם וימותיהם. והוא דבר
פלא. עכ"ל. וטיבא גדולה יש בלבי על המוליד לאחר לראשונה את הספר
רזאל בתערובות כזה בלי שום סידור נכון. ועירב חשך עם אור. מר עם
מתוק. והדפים קמיע עם ליורים של ששה מלאכים שראשיהם כראשי
הסרנגולים. ואך חוכא וטלולא עשה בזה. ולא נאה להמלא כזאת בין ספרות
ישראל. וד"ל:

והיוצא לנו מכל זה שאין להביא ראיה משם להחיר ענין השבועות למלאכים
וגם לא קמיעות כאלה. ואנו אין לנו היתר בכתיבת קמיעות כי
אם באופן שהקמיע יהיה ענין תפלה תדירית. שהשמות יהיו מן לירופי פסוקים
המדברים מענין אותה הישועה המבוקשת. ואף אם נזכיר בהם שם חיזה מלאך.
מ"מ לריך להזהר שהקמיע יהיה נכתב בדרך תפלה ובקשה אל רבון כל
העולמים אלהי ישראל שיטוה למלאכיו הקדושים האלה להחיש ישועה הזאת
המבוקשת. אבל להשביע למלאכים על חיזה דבר שיעשו רלון האדם. נראה
בעיני בודאי ובודאי לאיכור גמור:

ובכן כיון שבאנו לזה הדרך הישר. שעלינו להניח לגמרי עניני השבועות
למלאכים. ממהה אין לנו בכתיבות קמיעות המוהרות בודאי כ"ל
לדקדק באזהרות הספר רזאל. להזכיר שמות מלאכי התקופות צפה או לכותבן
בהקמיע. וגם אין לנו לדקדק כל כך בהשעות. רק העיקר שעלינו לדקדק
בשאר התנאים דהיינו אלה הנזכרים בספר תולדות אדם. הנאי טהרה ונקיות
יראה שמים וכוונה אמיתית לשמותיו הקדושים של הבורא יתברך שמו וזכרו
לנצח נלחם:

ידע נא כותב הקמיע שטוב לו לכין קודם כתיבת הקמיע לירופי שמות
שם הוי"ה ולירופי שמות שם אהי"ה ולירופי שמות שם אדנ"י. הן מן
החודש הזה והן מן השעה הזאת שטומד בה. כי בכל חודש תתנהג ההשגחה
העליונה ע"י לירוף אחר. וכן בכל יום ובכל לילה ובכל שעה. כי ב"ב שעות
היום שולטים בכל שעה ב' לירופוס אחרים. לירוף אחד מן השם הוי"ה.
ולירוף אחד מן השם אהי"ה. וב"ב שעות הלילה שולטים בכל שעה ב'
לירופוס אחרים מן השם אדנ"י. וכדי שיהי נקל לכין כונה הראוי לכל
כותב קמיע. הצגתי לפניך לוחות מן כל הלירופוס. ואחיה אם בעל נפש אחיה
בין הבין את אשר לפניך:

לוח החדשים עם צירופיהם.

ניסן	יהוה	אהיה	אדני	אינד
אייר	יהוה	אהיה	אדינ	אידנ
סיון	יוהה	איהה	אניד	אנדי
תמוז	הוהי	היהא	דניא	ינדא
אב	הויה	היאה	דנאי	ינאד
אלול	ההוי	ההיא	דינא	ידנא
תשרי	והיה	יהאה	נדאי	ניאד
חשוון	והיה	יההא	נדיא	נידא
כסלו	ויהה	יאהה	נאדי	נאיד
טבת	היהו	האהי	דאינ	יאדנ
שבט	היוה	האיה	דאני	יאנד
אדר	ההיו	ההאי	דיאנ	ידאנ

ועתה אליג לפניך לוח השעות מן הימים והלילות של שבוע שלם. ולא
 חמנע מלהליג אללם גם סדר שליטת הז' כוכבי לכת. וסדרתי
 לפניך הסדר של שעות ליל א' ושל יום א' עם לירופי השמות השולטים
 בכל טעה ושעה. ואח"כ סדרתי בלוח אחר שאר ימי השבוע רק עם סדר
 שליטת הז' כוכבי לכת בלבד. כי נשתנים בכל שעות הלילות והימים. ולא
 הלגתי בלוח האחרון סדר לירופי השמות של שאר הימים. יען כי תמיד
 שוין המה כמו בליל א' ויום א'. ולוחות האלה נלרכים מאד. לאו דוקא
 לכוח קמיעין כי אם גם לכל אדם בר דעת לכמה וכמה ענינים. ונפרט
 לענין תולדותיו בהולד לו ילד. יוכל תיכף לדעת ע"י לוחות האלה באיזה מזל
 טולד. אשר על פיו תהיינה מדותיו וקטיותיו הקבועות. וד"ל:
 לוח

כוח מדר השעות לצד א' עם צירופי השמות השולטים בכר שעה ושעה.

סימני הציפועין מורים על שעות הוינוער אשר במדינות אירופא.

6-5 יב מאדים	5-4 יא צדק	4-3 י שבת	3-2 פ לבנה	2-1 ח כוכב	1-12 ז נונה	12-11 ו חסה	11-10 ה מאדים	10-9 ד צדק	9-8 ג שבת	8-7 ב לבנה	7-6 א כוכב
ריאנ ידאנ	ראני יאנד	ראני יאנד	נארי נאיר	נריא נירא	נראי ניאר	דניא ידנא	דנאי ינאר	דניא ינרא	אניד אניר	אדינ אירנ	אדני אנד

מדר יום א'

6-5 יב שבת	5-4 יא לבנה	4-3 י כוכב	3-2 פ נונה	2-1 ח חסה	1-12 ז מאדים	12-11 ו צדק	11-10 ה שבת	10-9 ד לבנה	9-8 ג כוכב	8-7 ב נונה	7-6 א חסה
הדי הדאי	הייה האיה	הייה הארי	ויהה יאהה	והלי יהא	והלי יהא	ההי ההיא	הייה ההא	ההי ההא	ייהה איהה	יההו אההי	יההה אההה

לוח השעות מן הלילות והימים של שאר ימי השבוע
עם סדר שליכת הז' כוכבי לכת.

א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
צ	מ	ח	נ	כ	ל	ש	צ	מ	ח	נ	כ
א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
ל	ש	צ	מ	ח	נ	כ	ל	ש	צ	מ	ח
א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
נ	כ	ל	ש	צ	מ	ח	נ	כ	ל	ש	צ
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א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
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א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
ח	נ	כ	ל	ש	צ	מ	ח	נ	כ	ל	ש
א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
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א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
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א	ב	ג	ד	ה	ו	ז	ח	ט	י	יא	יב
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כדי להורות את בני עמי שידעו אך להגיה את הקמיעות הגדולות מן השיבושים. הנני מוכרח לפרסם הסודות של הקמיעות האלה :

סוד הקמיע למגפה מאת הרוקח זלוקלה"ה. הוא לירוף מן הראשי תיבות של ויהי כועס. יושב בסתר וכו' עד גמירא בליור המורה. ורגל המורה בשיטה הראשונה הוא לירוף מן הר"ת של הפסוק, ואת האנשים אשר פתח הבית הכו בסמורים מקטון ועד גדול וילאו למלא את הפתח". שיטה ב' של רגל המורה הוא לירוף מן הר"ת של הפסוק, ואמרתי זבח פסח הוא לה' אשר פסח על בתי בני ישראל במלרים בנגפו את מלרים ואת בתי הליל ויקד העם וישתחו'. שיטה ג' מן רגל המורה הוא לירוף מן הר"ת של הפסוק, ועבר ה' לנגף את מלרים וראה את הדם על המשקף ועל שתי המזוזות ופסח ה' על הפתח ולא יתן המשחית לבוא אל בתיכם לנגף". ומשחת רגל המורה הוא לירופי הפסוק, ויעמד פינחס ויפלל ותעלז המגפה". בב' אופנים. ועם כל התיבה נלמדה אותיות השם הוי"ה ביה ג"כ בב' אופנים. ושאר הענינים הנזכרים שם ידועים הם ומוכנים מעלמם :

סוד הקמיע הנפלאה למגפה מאת הלדיק רבנו אליהו מגריידין זלוקלה"ה. בקמיע הזה נמלאות ט"ז שורות. כל שורה בת ו' תיבות. כל תיבה בת חמש אותיות. נמלא סך כל התיבות עולה במספר השם הקדוש יב"ק. וכל האותיות ביחד הן ה' פעמים של מספר יב"ק ועולום בסך הכל במספר תק"ס. וכל המספר יב"ק מן האותיות הוא לירוף אחר. דהיינו שכל אותיות הראשונות מן כל התיבות יש להן לירוף אחד. וכל אותיות השניות מן כל התיבות יש להן גם כן לירוף אחד. וכן השאר. וד"ל :

מספר יב"ק מאותיות הראשונות יש להן לירוף הזה מן הפסוקים האלה. ויזכר אלהים את נח ואת כל החיה ואל כל הבהמה אשר אתו בשנה. ויעבור אלהים רוח על הארץ וישבו המים. ויסכרו מעינת תהום וארבת השמים ויכלא הגשם מן השמים :

מספר יב"ק מאותיות השניות יש להן לירוף הזה מן הפסוקים האלה. לישועתך קויתי הוי"ה. וילעק משה אל הוי"ה לאחר אל נא נחם נא לה. ויקח אהרן כאשר דבר משה וירץ אל ה' הקהל והלה הסל הגוף בעם ויתן את הקטרת ויכפר על העם ו :

מספר יב"ק מאותיות השלישיות יש להן לירוף הזה מן הפסוקים האלה. יעמד בין המתים ובין החיים ותעלז המגפה. ויעמד פינחס ויפלל ותעלז המגפה. אחרי סתר לי מלך תלרני רני פלע תסובבני סלה. אחרי האל עשה פלא הודעת בעמים עז :

מספר יב"ק מאותיות הרביעיות יש להן לירוף הזה מן הפסוקים האלה. ג' גאלם בזרוע עמד בני יעקב ויוסף סלה. יוד ה' ויו ה' הושיע המלך

המלך יעגנו ביום קראנו לא תאנה אליך רעה וגנע לא יקרב באהלך.
אבג דהו זחט יכל מגס עפל קר שת":

מספר יב"ק מאותיות החמישיות יש להן לירוף הזה היולא מן הראשי
היבות של יושב בסתר וכו' עד גמירא כזה. "יבע צשי אלמ
זאל צכה ימי מהב ילו כחל ואל תמל מיי מבי מיל ימא ומא ליר צחו רחב
אימ עשת לחא רול יבכ מיל לבד עכי פתב רעש ותח כוכ צחו אחי שיו
עאב חוא יא וב":

ואתר הפסוק למה פרלח נמלא הפסוק "יכרסמנה חזיר מיער וזיו שדי
ירענה" בלירוף השמות אב"ג ית"ץ. קר"ע שט"ן. ג"ד יכ"ש
בט"ר לת"ג. ואחר כל תיבה מן הפסוק הזה נמלא אות אחת מן השני
שמות א"ל הו"ה:

סוד הקמיע למגפה מאת המגיד הקדוש מטוריסק זלוקלה"ה. קמיע זה סודו
עמוק. והרבה יגעתי להשיג סודו. ודרך החוכן לאדם דעת שעמדותי
על האמת. הנה לירוף סודו הוא שנעשה כמו מחתה מוקפת עם
כותלים מסביב ובאמצע הוא החך ושולי המחתה. כותלי המחתה העמדו
והרכבו מן פסוקים ולירופי שמות. ובאמצע המחתה הן לירופי שמות מן תיבת
אש ואחד עשר סממני הקטרת. נמלא שהרי זה כלו כמו מחתה עם אש
ואחד עשר סממני הקטרת שסגולתה לעזור המגפה. זה הוא סוד ענין קמיע
הזה בכלל. ועתה נפרשנה בפרטיות:

הנה בלד העליון מימין בקרן מזרחית דרומית נמלאות ד' אותיות גדולה
מחתה. מתחתית אותיות האלה כתובים שמות ד' מלאכים שהראשי
תיבת של שמותם הוא מחתה. בחוכיות של אותיות האלה כתובים שמות ד'
מלאכים שהר"ת של שמותם הוא קטרת. לך דרומה של המחתה העמד מן
השם הקדוש שפטיפיה אשר סודו ידוע להגן ולעשות מחסה על האדם מסביב
להלילו מכל רע. מתחת בלד קרן דרומית מערבית נמלאים הפסוקים איך שנעלרה
המגפה ע"י הקטרת של אהרן הכהן הגדול. מתחת בלד קרן מערבית לפנות
נכתבים לירופי שמות מן הראשי תיבות של ויהי נועם יושב בסתר וכו' עד
גמירא. והחמשה אותיות אשר לבסוף הן הר"ת מן הפסוק "ויעמד פינחס ויפלל
ותעלר המגפה". לך לפונה של המחתה העמד מן לירופי שמות היולאים מן
הר"ת של למנחם בנגינות ומן האותיות של תיבת מגפה במילואן. בלד קרן
מזרחית לפנות נכתבים לירופי שמות מן הר"ת של הפסוקים ויאמר משה אל
אהרן קח את המחתה וגו' עד ותעלר המגפה. בסוף הג' שורות נכתבים ג'
מילואי אות ה. ובשורה הד' הוא השם הו"ה צ"ה במילואי ע"ב. ואח"כ כותבים
לירופי שמות מן הר"ת של המזמור אלהים יחגנו ויברכנו. ואח"כ נכתבים לירופי
שמות מן הסופי תיבות של זה המזמור. באמצע הקמיע שהוא כמו החך
והשולים של המחתה כותבים לירופים מן תיבת אש צפוט ובמילואי. וגם
התיבות

התיבות אחד עשר בלרופיו של ששה אופנים. כי תיבה בת ג' אותיות
אין לה יותר מן ששה לרופים. ובתוך תוכו הן לרופי שמות מן הראשי תיבות
של כל סממני הקטרת. שהם נטף ושחלת וחלזנה סמים ולזנה זכה בד צד
יהיה. ואח"כ הן לרופי שמות מן הר"ת של האחד עשר סממנים שהם הלרי
והלפרן החלזנה מור וקליעה שבלת נרד וכרכס הקשט קלופה קנמון צורית
כרשינה יין קפריסין חמר חורין עתיק מלח סדומית מעלה עשן. ומה שנכתב
בהקמיע השם **לְהַלֵּךְ** כמה פעמים הוא שם הקדוש בגוף לעומת הנגף דקליפה.
וניתן לו תוספות אות ו שהיא אות של חמת המורה חיים. ונקודותיו הוד
שיתפוך מן דוח להוד. ומה שנכתב ממעל להמחשה השורה מה קוף חיים
וכו'. זה רמז על היד של המחשה. אבל אינני זכח לגלות רמז הזה. ודי
לחכימא ברמיזה. והשג"ת יזכור את רחמיו ויכבוש את כעסו ויכלה דבר
ומגפה ולא ישמע עוד ושכר בגבולו. אך ששן ושמחה ישכנו באהלנו. חמן:

הרי לך י"א פסוקים המתחילים בגו"ן ומסיימין בגו"ן. והם מסוגלים
להנצל מעין הרע ומכשפים:

נגע צרעת כי תהיה באדם והובא אל הכהן:
נחנו נעבור חלוצים לפני ה' ארץ כנען ואתנו אחוזת נחלתנו
מעבר הירדן:

נביא מקרבך מאחיד כמוני יקים לך ה' אלהיך אליו תשמעון:
נהר פלגיו ישמחו עיר אלהים קדוש משכני עליון:
נגד אבותם עשה פלא בארץ מצרים שדה צוען:
נחית כצאן עמך ביד משה ואהרן:

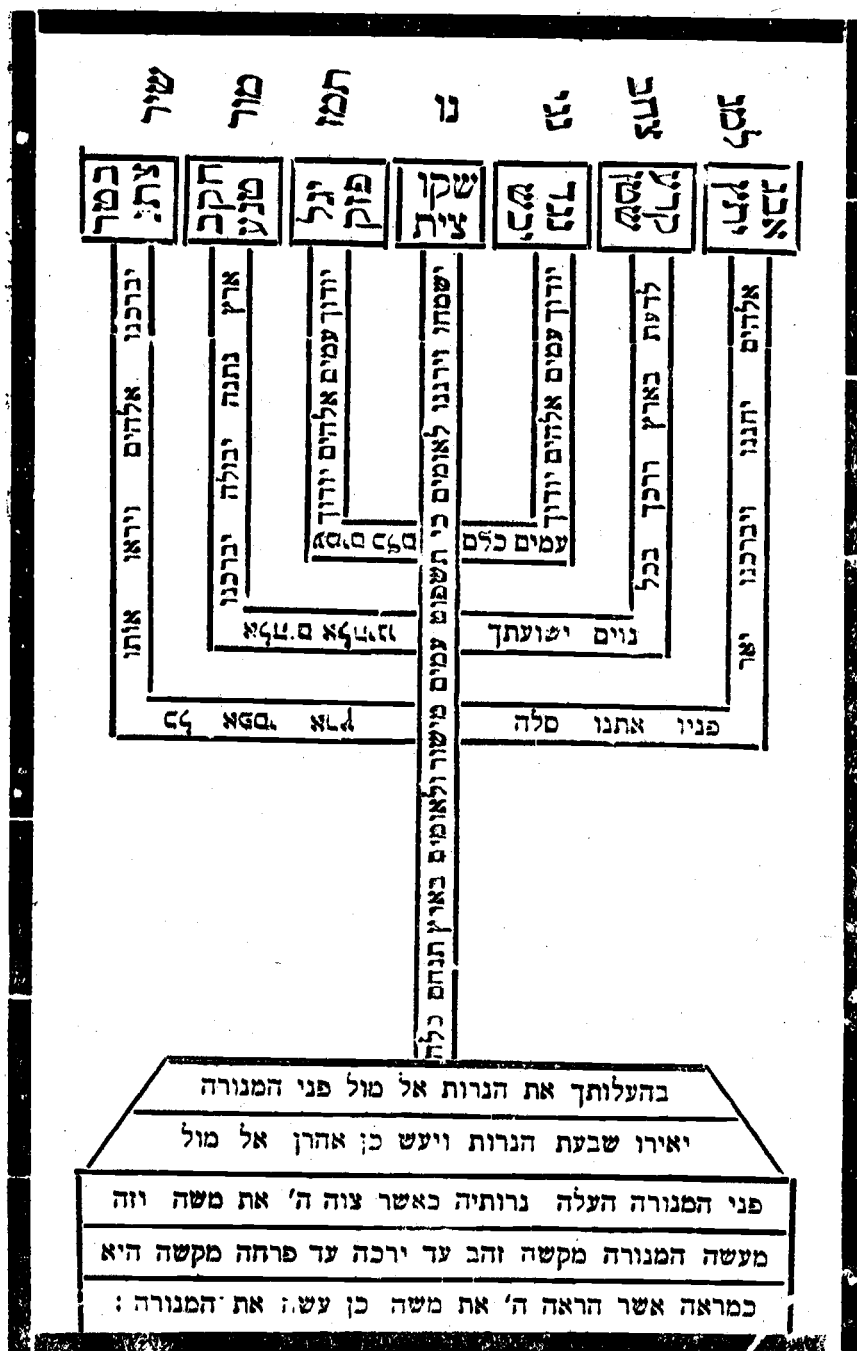
נפתי משכבי מור אהלים וקנמון:
נר ה' נשמת אדם חופש כל חדרי בטן:
נופת תטופנה שפתותיך כלה דבש וחלב תחת לשונך וריח
שלמותיך כריח לבנון:

נרו מתוך בבל ומארץ כשדים צאו יהיו כעתודים לפני צאן:
נושקי קשת מימינים ומשמאילים באבנים בחצים ובקשת מאחי
שאוּל מבנימין:

ויהי רצון מלפניך ה' אורי שתתמלא רחמים עלי ותציל אותי ואת
בני ביתי מעין הרע ומכל מיני כישוף ותבריא את היצר הרע ואת השטן
מאתנו. וכשם שפרשת כנפיך על אבותינו במדבר והצלת אותם מעינא
בישא דבלעם הרשע כן תפרוש את כנפיך עלינו ברחמיך הרבים ונחיה
בכוסה במכסה של אור מקיף הנשפע ע"י שמותיך הקדושים היוצאים מן
הפסוקים האלה. אמן נצח סלה ועד:



בתבו המקובלים הקדמונים סגולה להנצל מכמה צרות לומר בכל יום
זה המזמור בצורת המנורה :



אות א

אבן

אבני מרה

אבני כליות

אבני שלחופת

אבירה

אהבה לבריות

אהבה מאיש לאשתו

אהבה מאשה לבעלה

אוזן

כאב האוזן

רעש באוזן

חרשות האוזן

שרץ באוזן

אויבים

להכניע השונא

לסתום פי השונא מרע

שהאויב אל ירע לו

איצטומכא

קלקול האיצטומכא

לחזק האיצטומכא

להקאה מאיצטומכא

אכילה

לתאות אכילה

אזהרות באכילה

אם של נשים

לכאב האם

לזיבה מן האם

אסמא

אסמא של הלב

אסמא של הריאה

אסכרה בילדים

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ארס דבורים

ארס זבובים

אריכת ימים

אות ב

בטן

התקשות הבטן

שמעכעניש בבטן

נפיחת הבטן

ביצים נפוחות

בית חדש

שמירה לבית חדש

חינוך הבית

ימי קביעת דירה

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גבורת אנשים

גנבה

להכיר הגנב

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נעלע זוכט

גרון

כאב בגרון

עצם בגרון

אות ד

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נחסר כח הדבור

ילד שנתאלם פתאם

דבורים

נשיכת דבורים

דדים

כאב ונפוח בדדים

דם

לעצור דם החוטם

מי שרוקק דם

מי שמשתיין דם

נזילת דם מהריאה

לעצור דם מילה

לעצור דם פצע

לעצור דם נדה

דרך

שמירה לדרך

להצליח בדרך

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Transliteración y Traducción de Sefer Raziel HaMalakh

Portada e Introducción

Transliteración:

Sefer Raziel HaMalakh

Traducción:

Libro de Raziel el Ángel

Capítulo 1: Propósito y Origen del Texto

Transliteración:

HaShem Shel HaSefer Hu Lihiyot Mema'ale Yediyat HaOlamot HaElyonim.

Traducción:

El propósito del libro es elevar el conocimiento de los mundos superiores.

Capítulo 2: Invocaciones

Transliteración:

Tefillot VeHesedim SheYishmeru Alecha Kol HaYamim.

Traducción:

Oraciones y bondades que te protegerán todos los días.

Capítulo 3: Sabiduría de los Ángeles

Transliteración:

Chochmat HaMalachim Hi Tovah VeNifla'ah.

Traducción:

La sabiduría de los ángeles es buena y maravillosa.

Capítulo 4: Los Nombres de Dios y su Poder

Transliteración:

Shem Hashem Hu HaKoach HaAdir SheMecholel Nisim.

Traducción:

El nombre de Dios es el poder grandioso que realiza milagros.

Capítulo 5: Uso de Amuletos y Protecciones

Transliteración:

Hishtamesh BeAmuletim Kedei LeHagen Al Atzmecha MeHaRa.

Traducción:

Utiliza amuletos para protegerte del mal.

Capítulo 6: Rituales y Prácticas Espirituales

Transliteración:

Avodat HaKodesh Hi Derech LeHitkhaber LeKoachot Elyonim.

Traducción:

El trabajo sagrado es una forma de conectarse con fuerzas superiores.

Capítulo 7: Consejos para la Vida Diaria

Transliteración:

Hakshev LeChokhmah VeTen La LeHadrikh Otcha.

Traducción:

Escucha la sabiduría y deja que te guíe.

Capítulo 8: Secretos del Universo

Transliteración:

HaYekum Maleh BeSodot VeKol Yom Yesh Lanu Hizdamnut LeGalot Otam.

Traducción:

El universo está lleno de secretos y cada día tenemos la oportunidad de descubrirlos.

Capítulo 9: Meditaciones y Reflexiones

Transliteración:

Hekadesh Zman LeMachshavot Pnimiot ULeHavat Atzmecha.

Traducción:

Dedica tiempo a pensamientos internos y a comprenderte a ti mismo.

Capítulo 10: Conclusión

Transliteración:

Todah SheKarata BeSefer HaZeh VeHalevai SheTimtza Bo HaSharah.

Traducción:

Gracias por leer este libro, y espero que encuentres en él inspiración.

A DICTIONARY OF

ANGELS

INCLUDING THE FALLEN ANGELS

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Introduction

Some years ago when I started “collecting” angels as a literary diversion, it was certainly with no thought of serving as their archivist, biographer, and finally as their lexicographer. Such an idea did not occur to me—indeed, could not have occurred to me—until I had corralled a sufficient number of the heavenly denizens to make a dictionary of them feasible.

At first I thought that angels, named angels, were to be found only in the Bible. I soon learned that, on the contrary, the Bible was the last place to look for them. True, angels are mentioned frequently enough in both the Old and New Testaments, but they are not named, save in two or three instances. Virtually all the named angels in this compilation are culled from sources outside Scripture.¹

Of the books in the New Testament, while the Synoptic Gospels and the Pauline Epistles have been longtime favorites of mine, the book of Revelation always held a particular fascination for me, mainly because, I believe, of its apocalyptic imagery and involvement with angels. I read the book often. But one day, as I was leafing through its pages, my eye was arrested by verse 2, chapter 8:

And I saw the seven angels who stand before God;
And to them were given seven trumpets.

I laid the book aside and asked myself: who are these seven holy ones that stand before God? Has any biblical scholar identified them? Are they of the order of seraphim, cherubim, principalities, powers? And are they always the same seven who enjoy the privilege and eminence of closest proximity to the throne of Glory? And why seven? Were the seven planets the prototype? Or did the notion derive from the well-known chapter in Ezekiel 9: 2–11 which gives a terrifying picture of six “men” and a seventh “clothed in linen” whom God summoned to Jerusalem to “slay without pity”? Challenging, even intimidating, questions and ones that, I felt, ought not to be left unanswered. Meantime, the pursuit led me down many a heavenly brook. Over the years it served to unlock realms of gold I never suspected existed in Heaven or on earth.

Of the seven Revelation angels I had no difficulty in establishing the identity of three: Michael and Gabriel (in Scripture) and Raphael (in *The Book of Tobit*). The last-named angel, by a happy chance, identifies himself: “I am Raphael,” he discloses to his young charge Toby, “one of the seven angels who stand and enter before the glory of the Lord.” No declaration could be more authoritative or conclusive. And so, with three of the seven angels identified, the problem was to bring to light the remaining four.

1. The Koran names seven angels: Gabriel, Michael, Iblis or Eblis, chief jinn in Arabian mythology, counterpart of the Judaeo-Christian Satan; Malec or Malik, principal angel of Hell; the two fallen angels, Harut and Marut; and Malaku 'l-maut, angel of death, identified as Azrael. Contrary to popular belief and accreditation, the Koran does not name Israfil, lord of the resurrection trumpet.

I remembered reading somewhere of an angel called Uriel and that he was a "regent of the sun." He seemed a likely candidate. I was confirmed in this feeling when I came upon Uriel in *Paradise Lost* (111, 648 seq.) and found the archfiend himself providing warrant: "him Satan thus accosts./Uriel, for thou of those seav'n spirits that stand/In sight of God's high Throne, gloriously bright," etc. Poe's Israfel, "Whose heart-strings are a lute," was (or is) an Islamic angel,² and I wondered if that fact might rule him out. Then there was Longfellow's Sandalphon. In the poem by that name, Longfellow described Sandalphon as the "Angel of Glory, Angel of Prayer." A great angel, certainly: but, again, was he of an eminence sufficiently exalted to entitle him to "enter before the glory of the Lord"? That was the question. Vondel's *Lucifer*, Heywood's *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, Milton's *Paradise Lost*, Dryden's *State of Innocence*, Klopstock's *The Messiah*—all these works yielded a considerable quantity of the celestial spirits, some in the top echelons, like Abdiel, Ithuriel, Uzziel, Zephon; but I had no way of telling whether any of them qualified. Surely, I comforted myself, there must be some source where the answer could be found. Actually there were a number of such sources. I had only to reach out my hand for books in my own library. Instead, in my then state of pneumatic innocence, I looked far afield.

Since I was unacquainted at the time with anyone versed in angel lore, I decided to enter into correspondence with scholars and theologians who might help me. I picked half a dozen names at random from the faculty lists of local universities, seminaries, and yeshivas. I put the question squarely to them. The responses were a long time coming and hardly satisfying. "Not in my competence" was the way one biblical exegete put it. Another referred me to the minister of a Swedenborgian church in West Germany. From others I heard nothing. But one rather noted *maskil* came through handsomely with two sets of seven, each leading off with the familiar trio (Michael, Gabriel, Raphael), thus:

<i>First List</i>	<i>Second List</i>
Michael	Michael
Gabriel	Gabriel
Raphael	Raphael
Uriel	Anael (Haniel)
Raguel	Zadkiel
Saraqael	Orifiel
Remiel (or Camael)	Uzziel (or Sidriel)

I now had not only the seven angels I had been looking for but a *choice* of seven; and, in

2. Not a Koranic angel, as Poe mistakenly makes him out to be. Israfel is not mentioned in the Koran, and Poe's quotation from it must derive, presumably, from a *hadith* (traditional saying attributed to the Prophet) or from "Preliminary Discourse," George Sale's long introductory essay to his translation of the Koran. Scholars have pointed out that references to Israfel and tributes to him as the Angel of Music in Arabic lore were known to Poe as occurring in the works of the French poet, de Béranger (whom Poe quotes), and the Irish poet, Thomas Moore.

addition, the names of angels I had not heard of before.³ In the course of further correspondence I was apprised of a branch of extracanonical writings new to me: pseudepigrapha, particularly the three Enoch books, a veritable treasure-trove! *Enoch I* or the *Book of Enoch* (also called the *Ethiopic Enoch*, from the fact that the earliest version or recension of the book was found in Abyssinia) was the most readily available. It literally rioted in angel names—many of them, as I quickly discovered, duplications or corruptions of other names.

What were Enoch's sources? Did the patriarch (or whoever the author was to whom the Enoch books have been attributed) draw on his own lively imagination? (Certainly the 12-winged kalkydri and phoenixes were his invention.) Did he conjure his angels from the "four hinges of the spirit world?" Or did they come to him, as they have and still do to initiates, after a special, mystical concentration—a gift of grace, a charisma? I left that an open question, for the time being.

The Enoch books led me on to related hierological sources and texts: apocalyptic, cabalistic, Talmudic, gnostic, patristic, Merkabah (Jewish mystic), and ultimately to the grimoires, those black magic manuals, repositories of curious, forbidden, and by now well-nigh forgotten lore. In them, invocations, adjurations, and exorcisms were spelt out in full, often grossest detail, and addressed to spirits bearing the most outlandish names. The Church was not slow in pronouncing its curse on these rituals, although the authorship of one of the most diabolic of them was credited (without warrant, it is true) to a pope, Honorius the Third, who reigned during the years 1216–1227. The work is titled *The Grimoire of Honorius the Great*, and made its first appearance in 1629, some 400 years after the death of its reputed author. Arthur Edward Waite, author of *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, cites the grimoire as "a malicious and somewhat clever imposture, which was undeniably calculated to deceive ignorant persons of its period who may have been magically inclined, more especially ignorant priests, since it pretends to convey the express sanction of the Apostolical Seat for the operations of infernal magic and necromancy."

All these goetic tracts yielded a boundless profusion of angels (and demons), and I soon had more of the fluttering creatures than I knew what to do with. In order to keep my work within sizable limits, I started weeding out (Heaven forgive me!) what I considered to be the less important names, or the ones about which little or no data could be found.

At this stage of the quest I was literally bedeviled by angels. They stalked and leaguered me, by night and day. I could not tell the evil from the good, demons from daevas, satans from seraphim; nor (to quote from a poem composed at the time) "if that world I could not hope to prove,/Flaming with heavenly beasts, holy and grim,/Was any less real than that in which I moved." I moved, indeed, in a twilight zone of tall presences, through enchanted forests lit with the sinister splendor of fallen divinities; of aeons and archons, peris and paracletes, elohim and avatars. I felt somewhat like Dante, in the opening canto of *The Divine Comedy*, when, midway upon the journey of his life, he found himself astray in a dusky wood. Or like some knight of old, ready to try conclusions with any adversary, real or fancied. I remember one occasion—it was winter and getting dark—returning home from a neighboring farm. I had cut

3. Subsequently, in other lists of the seven (*Enoch I*, *Esdra II*, etc.), I came upon the names of the following angels: Jophiel, Jeremiel, Pravuil, Salathiel, Sariel, Zachariel, and Zaphiel.

across an unfamiliar field. Suddenly a nightmarish shape loomed up in front of me, barring my progress. After a paralyzing moment I managed to fight my way past the phantom. The next morning I could not be sure (no more than Jacob was, when he wrestled with his dark antagonist at Peniel) whether I had encountered a ghost, an angel, a demon, or God. There were other such moments and other such encounters, when I passed from terror to trance, from intimations of realms unguessed at to the uneasy conviction that, beyond the reach of our senses, beyond the arch of all our experience sacred and profane, there was only—to use an expression of Paul's in I Timothy 4—"fable and endless genealogy."

Logic, I felt, was my only safe anchor in reality; but if, as Walter Nigg points out, "angels are powers which transcend the logic of our existence," did it follow that one is constrained to abandon logic in order to entertain angels?⁴ For the sake of angels I was ready to subscribe to Coleridge's "willing suspension of disbelief." I was even ready to drink his "milk of Paradise." But I was troubled. Never a respecter of authority, *per se*, particularly when it was backed by the "salvific light of revelation," I nevertheless kept repeating to myself that I was pitting my personal and necessarily circumscribed experience, logic, and belief (or nonbelief) against the experience, logic, and belief of some of the boldest and profoundest minds of all times—minds that had reshaped the world's thinking and emancipated it (to a degree, at any rate) from the bondage of superstition and error. Still, I was averse to associating myself with opinions and creeds, no matter how hallowed by time or tradition, or by whomsoever held, that were plainly repugnant to common sense. A professed belief in angels would, inevitably, involve me in a belief in the supernatural, and that was the golden snare I did not wish to be caught in. Without committing myself religiously I could conceive of the possibility of there being, in dimensions and worlds other than our own, powers and intelligences outside our present apprehension, and in this sense angels are not to be ruled out as a part of reality—always remembering that *we create what we believe*. Indeed, I am prepared to say that if enough of us believe in angels, then angels exist.

In the course of much reading in patristic lore I came upon a saying by St. Augustine. It is taken from his *Eight Questions* ("de diversis questionibus octoginta tribus"). I wrote down the saying on a piece of paper and carried it around with me for a long time, not as something I concurred in, but as a challenge. This is what Augustine said: "Every visible thing in this world is put under the charge of an angel." *Genesis Rabba*, 10, puts it somewhat differently: "There's not a stalk on earth that has not its [protecting or guardian] angel in heaven."

Here and there, wherever it suited his thesis or purpose, St. Paul found angels wicked (as in Ephesians 6, etc.). In Colossians 2:17 he warns us not to be seduced by any religion of angels. Furthermore, God himself, it appears, "put no trust in his servants . . . his angels he charged with folly" (Job 4:18). There was the further injunction in Hebrews 13, "Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines." Sound advice! And I was fain to say to Paul, as Agrippa the king said to him (in Acts 26:38), "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." But *whose*

4. Walter Nigg's article "Stay you Angels, Stay with Me," *Harper's Bazaar*, December 1962. The phrase derives from Johann Sebastian Bach's "Cantata for Michaelmas Day."

strange doctrines did Paul have in mind—Moses'? Isaiah's? Koheleth's? Peter's? St. James'? And if it is Paul who thus exhorts us in Hebrews (a book once reputedly his), one might ask: is Paul a trustworthy counselor and guide—a man who, as he himself admits, was “all things to all men,” and who honored and repudiated angels in almost the same breath? One thing I soon realized: in the realm of the unknowable and invisible, in matters where a questioner is finally reduced to taking things on faith, one can be sure of nothing, prove nothing, and convince nobody. But more of this anon.

One of the problems I ran into, in the early days of my investigations, was how to hack my way through the maze of changes in nomenclature and orthography that angels passed through in the course of their being translated from one language into another, or copied out by scribes from one manuscript to another, or by virtue of the natural deterioration that occurs with any body of writing undergoing repeated transcriptions and metathesis. For example: Uriel, “presider over Tartarus” and “regent of the sun,” shows up variously as Sariel, Nuriel, Uryan, Jehoel, Owreel, Oroiael, Phanuel, Eremiel, Ramiel, Jeremiel, Jacob-Isra'el. Derivations and/or variations of Haniel, chief of principalities and “the tallest angel in Heaven,” may be set down in mathematical equations, to wit: Haniel = Anael = Anfiel = Aniyel = Anafiel = Onoel = Ariel = Simiel. The celestial *gabbai*, keeper of the treasures of Heaven, Vretil, turns out to be the same as, or can be equated with, or is an aphetic form of, Gabriel, Radueriel, Pravuil, Seferiel, Vrevoil. In Arabic lore, Gabriel is Jibril, Jabriel, Abrael, or Abru-el, etc. In ancient Persian lore he was Soroush and Revan-bakhsh and “the crowned Bahman,” mightiest of all angels. To the Ethiopians he is Gadreel.

Michael had a mystery name: Sabbathiel. He passed also for the Shekinah, the Prince of Light, the Logos, Metatron, the angel of the Lord, and as St. Peter (for Michael, also, like the prince of apostles, holds—or held—the keys of the kingdom of Heaven). In addition, as the earliest recorded slayer of the Dragon, Michael may be considered the prototype of the redoubtable St. George. To the ancient Persians he was known as Beshter, sustainer of mankind.

Raphael, “christened” Labbiel when God first formed him, is interchangeable with Apha-rope, Raguel, Ramiel, Azrael, Raffarel, etc. And, to make matters more complicated, our healing angel operated under a pseudonym, Azariah (as in *The Book of Tobit*). *The Zohar* equates Raphael with a king of the underworld, Bael.

The archangel Raziel, “chief of the Supreme Mysteries,” and “author” of the famous *Sefer Raziel* (Book of the Angel Raziel), answers to Akraziel, Saraqael, Suriel, Galisur, N'Zuriel, and Uriel. The seraph Semyaza may be summoned up by the pronouncement of any of a string of variations on his name—Samiaza, Shemhazai, Amezyarak, Azael, Azaziel, Uzza.

Metatron, the “lesser YHWH” (i.e., the lesser God) and twin brother of Sandalphon, also had a mystery name, Bizbul. But Metatron had more than 100 other names (see Appendix) and in magical rites he could be invoked by any of them.

The leopard-bodied Camael (alias Shemuel, Simiel, Quemuel, Kemuel), while serving in Hell as a Count Palatine and ruler of the wicked planet Mars, served at the same time in Heaven as an archangel of the divine presence. It was Camael (Kemuel) who accompanied God with a

troop of 12,000 spirits at the promulgation of the Holy Law. This is vouched for in legend.⁵ According to another legend,⁶ Camael was destroyed by Moses when he tried to hinder the Lawgiver from receiving the Torah at the hand of God.

Satan paraded under, or hid behind, a bewildering array of forms and incarnations. The "prince of the power of the air," as Paul picturesquely dubs him, is our best example of a quick-change artist in guises and appellatives. In Zoroastrian theosophy he is Ahriman, enemy of man and God, a kind of ur-Satan (since Ahriman antedates by 1,000 years the Judaeo-Christian image of a prince regent of evil). In Leviticus, he is Azazel, the "goat of the sin offering." In Isaiah he is Lucifer (or, rather, mistakenly identified as Lucifer). In Matthew, Mark, and Luke he is Beelzebub, "lord of flies." In Revelation he is "that dragon and old serpent, the Devil." He is Mastema and/or Beliar in *The Book of Jubilees* and *The Book of Adam and Eve*. He is Sammael in *Baruch III*, *The Chaldean Paraphrase of Jonathan*, and *The Martyrdom of Isaiah*. In *Enoch* he is Satanail and Salamiel. In *The Apocalypse of Abraham* and *The Zohar* he is Duma as well as Azazel. In Falasha lore he is Suriel, angel of death. And he is Beliar or Beliel in *The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*, *The Zadokite Fragments* (where Mastema also figures as an alternate to Beliar), and *The Sibylline Oracles*. In the Koran he is Iblis or Eblis or Haris. And in Jewish tradition he is Yetzer-hara, the personified evil inclination in man. To Shakespeare (*I Henry IV*) he is the "Lordly monarch of the north"; to Milton (*Paradise Regained* IV, 604) he is the "Thief of Paradise"; to Bunyan (*Holy War*) he is Diabolus.⁷ But whatever his guise, the once familiar peripatetic of Heaven is no longer to be found there, as guest or resident; nor is it likely that the black divinity of his feet will ever again be sighted on the crystal battlements—unless he is forgiven and reinvested with his former rank and glory, an eventuality the Church forbids its followers to entertain as possible or desirable, since Satan and his angels have been cursed by the Savior Himself "into everlasting fire" (Matthew 25:41).

Hell itself, one adduces from *Enoch II*, *Testament of Levi*, and other apocryphal and pseudepigraphic works, is not located where one would ordinarily suppose it to be, i.e., in the underworld, but in the "northern regions of the 3rd Heaven," while Evil in its various aspects is lodged in the 2nd as well as the 3rd and 5th Heavens.⁸ The first 3 Heavens, according to the *Baruch Apocalypse* (*Baruch III*), are "full of evil-looking monsters." In the 2nd Heaven the fallen angels (the amorous ones, those that coupled with the daughters of men) are imprisoned and daily flogged. In the 5th the dread Watchers dwell, those eternally silent Grigori "who, with their prince Salamiel, had rejected the Lord."⁹ When Paul was caught up in the 3rd Heaven, he en-

5. Rf. Moses Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*. According to Rabbi Abdimi, no less than 22,000 ministering angels descended on Mt. Sinai on this historic occasion (see *Midrash Tehillim* on Psalm 68).

6. Louis Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 110.

7. A recent writer, Jean Lhermitte (*True and False Possession*, 1963), holds that "The Prince of Darkness no longer appears as a personage . . . but disguises himself willingly, even preferably, under the appearance of corporate personalities or institutions."

8. C. E. S. Wood, the American poet, in his *Heavenly Discourse*, gives Satan's P.O. address as Washington, D.C. That was back in 1927. His Satanic Majesty may have moved since then.

9. This must have been in the "north of the 5th Heaven, for elsewhere in the same Heaven, whither Zephaniah claims a Spirit conveyed him, the Old Testament Prophet "beheld angels that are called Lords, and each had a crown upon his head as well as a throne shining seven times brighter than the sun"—quoted by Clement of Alexandria from the lost *Apocalypse of Zephaniah*.

countered there "angels of evil, terrible and without pity carrying savage weapons."¹⁰ In a word, at least 3 Heavens, or regions of at least 3 Heavens, were the abode of the eternally damned.

Now, to find Hell in Heaven should not have surprised this writer, or anyone with a smattering of Greek mythology, for the paradisiacal Elysian Fields, "residence of the shades of the Blessed," are in the immediate vicinity of Hades. A rabbinic commentary (*Midrash Tannaim*) vouches for the fact that Hell and Paradise are "side by side." This is close to what one finds in a commentary on Psalm 90 (*Midrash Tehillim*) where it is stated that there were seven things which preceded the creation of the world, and that among the seven things were Paradise and Hell, and that "Paradise was on the right side of God, Hell on the left." In a commentary on Ecclesiastes (*Yalkut Kohleth*) we learn that the two realms are actually only "a hand-breadth apart." This carefully calibrated survey is attributed to the Hebrew sage, Rab Chanina (Kahana), of the late 3rd century C.E.¹¹

How incongruous, indeed how anomalous it was to plant Hell in Heaven must have occurred finally to the Great Architect Himself for, one day, without fuss or fanfare, the entire apparatus of evil—the arsenals of punishment, the chief Scourgers, the apostate angels, the horned or aureoled spirits of wrath, destruction, confusion, and vengeance—was moved from the upper to the lower world, where (if it is not too presumptuous to say so) all such paraphernalia and personnel should have been installed in the first place.

The noted scholar R. H. Charles, in his introduction to Morfill's translation of *Enoch II*, observes in a footnote that "the old idea of wickedness in Heaven was subsequently banished from Christian and Jewish thought." True, and none too soon. For what assurance otherwise would the faithful have been given that, on arrival in Heaven, they would not be lodged in one of the enclaves of Hell?

Perhaps the best—or worst—example of the confusion to be found in noncanonical as well

10. The fact that in Paul's day there still were angels of evil in Heaven "carrying savage weapons" would lead one to suppose that the fighting on high did not end with Satan's rout, and that Michael and his hosts won a Pyrrhic victory, or at best a truce.

11. In this connection, the expression "Abraham's bosom" (Luke 16), interpreted as denoting "the repose of the happy in death," may be cited here. The Apostles' Creed affirms that Jesus descended to Hell after the Crucifixion, purportedly to liberate the "saints in chains" (the unbaptized patriarchs, Abraham among them) in order to transport them to Paradise. The parable in Luke presupposes that Abraham is already there; and the fact that the rich man in Hades (Dives) is able to converse with Abraham across the "great chasm" suggests that the chasm was not very wide, and that, hence, Heaven and Hell were very close to each other, at least within speaking distance. Purgatory, it will be noted, is not mentioned. The explanation is simple: it did not exist—not, anyway, until 604 C.E. Gregory the Great invented it. Perhaps invention is too strong a term. Gregory very likely appropriated the notion of an "upper Gehenna" from the ancient Jews, or from the empyrosis of the Greek stoics, or from the twelve cycles of purgation of Zoroaster. Be that as it may, Purgatory was made official—it was "legislated into existence"—by decrees at the Council of Lyons in 1274, at Florence in 1439, and again in the 1540's at the Council of Trent, and is today part of the religious belief of all or most Christians, except members of the Church of England which, in 1562, condemned Purgatory as "a fond thing vainly invented and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture, but rather repugnant to the Word of God." We know of no angels, fair or foul, inhabiting or frequenting the place. According to Origen, it is reserved for souls waiting to be purged of the "lighter materials" of their sins "so that they may enter the kingdom of Heaven undefiled." The duration of souls in Purgatory, an indefinable time, may be cut down by indulgences, prayers, and paid masses. Jews have their *Yiskor*, which is a prayer for the repose of the dead and is recited on Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Passover, and Shavuoth. Where these Jewish dead are reposing is not clear. The Moslems have their Al Aaraaf, a region for "those who are [found] neither good nor bad, such as infants, lunatics, and idiots"—*Reader's Encyclopedia*, "Araf."

as canonical lore is the case of Satan. The Old Testament speaks of an adversary, *ha-satan*. It is a term that stood for an office; it did not denote the name of an angel. To the Jews of Biblical times the adversary was neither evil nor fallen (the Old Testament knows nothing of fallen angels), but a servant of God in good standing, a great angel, perhaps the greatest. However, he is nowhere named. In Job he presents himself before the Lord in the company of other unnamed "sons of God." There is no question of his being evil or apostate.¹² The one instance where *ha-satan* is given as *satan* without the definite article (I Chronicles 21), is now generally conceded to be a scribal oversight. In a word, the Old Testament did not name its angels, except in Daniel, a late, postexilic book. There only two angels are named: Michael and Gabriel (names, by the way, that owe their origin to Babylonian-Chaldean sources). In the New Testament, on the contrary, Satan is unequivocally a person, so named. Here he is no longer the obedient servant of God, the "prime in splendour," but the castout opponent and enemy of God, the Prince of Evil, the Devil incarnate.

The transformation of *ha-satan* in the Old Testament into Satan in the New, and the conflicting notions that arose as a consequence, are pointed up by Bernard J. Bamberger in his *Fallen Angels*: "The classic expositions of the Jewish faith have implicitly or explicitly rejected the belief in rebel angels and in a Devil who is God's enemy. . . . The Hebrew Bible itself, correctly interpreted, leaves no room for a belief in a world of evil powers arrayed against the goodness of God. . . . Historical Christianity, on the other hand, has consistently affirmed the continuing conflict between God and Satan." This continuing conflict between God and Satan, one might add, is little more than a recrudescence, with modifications, of the dualistic system that Christianity (along with Jewish sectarians of the post-Biblical era) inherited from Zoroastrianism.

Equally difficult to deal with was the question whether (and how many) other spirits in the celestial hierarchy were good or evil, fallen or still upright, dwellers of Heaven or Hell. This was a specially baffling problem and left me wandering about in a perpetual cloud of unknowing. A case in point: In *Enoch I*, 6, Remiel is styled "one of the leaders of the rebel angels." Farther along in the same book, Chapter 18, Remiel is metamorphosed into "one of the seven holy ones whom God set over those who rise." In Revelation 9, Abaddon/Apollyon is the "angel of the bottomless pit," suggesting an evil spirit in the sense of a destroyer; but in Revelation 20, Abaddon/Apollyon is manifestly good and holy, for here he is said to have "laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him a thousand years" (in *The Greater Key of Solomon* Abaddon is "a name for God that Moses invoked to bring down the blighting rain over Egypt"!). Vondel, the Dutch Shakespeare (1587-1678), tells us in his *Lucifer* that Apollyon was known in Heaven, before he joined Satan, as the hierarch "of the snowy wings." To Bunyan in *Pilgrim's Progress* Apollyon is an out-and-out devil, *the* devil, just as he is

12. The hasidic rabbi Yaakov Yitzhak of Pzysha, known as the holy Yehudi (d. 1814), makes this clear when he declared that "the virtue of angels is that they cannot deteriorate." See Martin Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim, Later Masters*, p. 231. The fact that the adversary challenges God or questions Him does not, *ipso facto*, make the adversary evil or an opponent of God—just as, when Abraham and Job "put God to the question," they were not, on that account, regarded as evil men, or even as presumptuous men. See Harry M. Orlinsky's *Ancient Israel*, p. 30.

in secular writings generally.¹³ Other examples, to cite a handful: Ariel, "earth's great Lord" and an aide to Raphael in the curing of disease, is at the same time a rebel angel in charge of punishments in the lower world. Kakabel, a high holy prince who exercises dominion over the constellations, is in *Enoch* one of the apostates. The angel Usiel, Gabriel's lieutenant in the fighting on high, is designated a companion of the lustful luminaries who coupled with mortal women; in Zoharic cabala he is the cortex (averse demon) of Gog Sheklah, "disturber of all things." Among the rabbis the opinion is divided with regard to the 90,000 angels of destruction. Are they in the service of God or the Devil? *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer* inclines to the latter view. In the *Pirke* they are called "angels of Satan."

It is well to bear in mind that all angels, whatever their state of grace—indeed, no matter how christologically corrupt and defiant—are under God, even when, to all intents and purposes, they are performing under the direct orders of the Devil. Evil itself is an instrumentality of the Creator, who uses evil for His own divine, if unsearchable, ends. At least, such may be gathered from Isaiah 45:7; it is also Church doctrine, as is the doctrine that angels, like human beings, were created with free will, but that they surrendered their free will the moment they were formed. At that moment, we are told, they were given (and had to make) the choice between turning toward or away from God, and that it was an irrevocable choice. Those angels that turned toward God gained the beatific vision, and so became fixed eternally in good; those that turned away from God became fixed eternally in evil. These latter are the demons, they are *not* the fallen angels (an entirely different breed of recusants which hatched out subsequently, on Satan's defection). Man, however, continues to enjoy free will. He can still choose between good and evil. This may or may not work out to his advantage; more often than not it has proved his undoing. The best that man can hope for, apparently, is that when he is weighed in the balance (by the "angels of final reckoning"), he is not found wanting.¹⁴

Angels perform a multiplicity of duties and tasks. Preeminently they serve God. They do this by the ceaseless chanting of glorias as they circle round the high holy Throne. They also carry out missions from God to man. But many serve man directly as guardians, counselors, guides, judges, interpreters, cooks, comforters, dragomen, matchmakers, and gravediggers. They are responsive to invocations when such invocations are properly formulated and the conditions are propitious. In occult lore angels are conjured up not only to help an invocant strengthen his faith, heal his afflictions, find lost articles, increase his worldly goods, and procure offspring, but also to circumvent and destroy an enemy. There are instances where an angel or

13. In Jewish lore, abaddon is a place—sheol, the pit, or the grave; nowhere is it the name of an angel or demon. The term is personified for the first time in Revelation and appears as Abaddon (cap A). St. John makes Abaddon synonymous with Apollyon and declares it to be the Greek form of the same angel. The Confraternity edition of the New Testament adds here (Apocalypse 9:11): "in Latin he has the name Exterminans." On the other hand, *The Magus*, which offers a number of portraits of the archfiends in color, splits Abaddon and Apollyon into two separate and distinct "vessels of iniquity," showing Abaddon with tawny hair and Roman nose, Apollyon with russet beard and hooked beak.

14. According to Abbot Anscar Vonier in *The Teaching of the Catholic Church* (1964), angels still enjoy free will. This seems to be another or new interpretation of Catholic doctrine on the subject.

troop of angels turned the tide of battle, abated storms, conveyed saints to Heaven, brought down plagues, fed hermits, helped plowmen, converted heathens. An angel multiplied the seed of Hagar, protected Lot, caused the destruction of Sodom, hardened Pharaoh's heart, rescued Daniel from the lions' den, and Peter from prison. To come closer to our own times: it will be recalled that when Spinoza was "execrated, cursed, and cast out" from his community in Amsterdam for holding among other "heretical views" that "angels were an hallucination," the edict of excommunication against him was drawn up by the rabbis "with the judgment of the angels."

The might of angels, as made known to us in Targum and Talmud, is easily a match for the might of the pagan gods and heroes. Michael overthrew mountains. Gabriel bore Abraham on his back to Babylon, whither an unnamed angel later conveyed the prophet Habbakuk (by the hair) from Judea, to feed Daniel pottage.¹⁵ Jewish legend tells us that, during the siege of the Holy City by Nebuchadnezzar, "the prince of the world" (Metatron? Michael? or perchance Satan?) lifted Jerusalem "high in the air" but that God thrust it down again.¹⁶ We know from Revelation that seven angels of the wrath of God smote a "third part of the stars." The mighty Rabdos is able to stop the planets in their courses. The Talmudic angel Ben Nez prevents the earth from being consumed by holding back the South Wind with his pinions. Morael has the power of making everything in the visible world invisible. The Atlantean Splenditenes supports the globe on his back. Ataphiel (Barattiel), hierarch of Merkabah lore, keeps Heaven from tumbling down by balancing it on three fingers. The Pillared Angel (mentioned in Revelation) supports the sky on the palm of his right hand. Chayyiel, the divine angel-beast, can—if he is so minded—swallow the whole world in a single gulp. When Hadraniel proclaims the will of God, "his voice penetrates through 200,000 firmaments." It was Hadraniel who struck Moses "dumb with awe" when the Lawgiver caught sight of the dread luminary in the 2nd Heaven. As late as the 17th century, the German astronomer Kepler figured out (and somehow managed to fit into his celebrated law of celestial mechanics) that the planets are "pushed around by angels."

A brief word about the number of angels abroad in the world. Since the quantity, according to Church doctrine, was fixed at Creation, the aggregate must be fairly constant. An exact figure—301,655,722—was arrived at by 14th-century cabalists, who employed the device of "calculating words into numbers and numbers into words." This is a very modest figure if we regard stars as angels (just as the Apocalypics did: John in Revelation, Clement of Alexandria in *Stromata* VI, etc.) and include them in the total.¹⁷ Thomas Heywood in his *Hierarchy* cautions us metrically: "Of the Angels, th'exact number who/Shall undertake to tell, he shall grow/

15. See apocryphal additions to Daniel 5:86.

16. In 1291-1294 C.E., angels moved the house of the Virgin Mary from Nazareth to Dalmatia, thence to various parts of Italy, finally depositing it in the village of Loretto. The miraculous haulage is the subject of a canvas (now in the Morgan Library, New York), by the 15th-16th century artist Saturne di Gatti.

17. Rabbi Jochanan (Talmud *Hagiga* 14a) reminds us that, far from having ceased being formed at Creation, angels are born "with every utterance that goes forth from the mouth of the Holy One, blessed be He." The Jewish notion of a continuing act of Creation (as opposed to the *tota simul* doctrine of the early Church) is traditional in Talmud, and embraces not only angels but all things formed in the first six days. This is clear from a hymn found in *Greater Hechaloth* 4:2, where God is praised for not ceasing to create "new stars and constellations and zodiacal signs that flow and issue from the light of His holy garment."

From Ignorance to Error; yet we may/Conjecture.” Albertus Magnus conjectured, and put “each choir at 6,666 legions, and each legion at 6,666 angels.” But demons are winged horses of another color. Unlike the angels, these apes of God are capable of reproducing their kind. What is more, as Origen alerts us, “they multiply like flies.” So today there must be a truly staggering horde of them. The problem of population explosion here is clearly something to worry about.¹⁸

As for the vernacular employed by angels, the odds favor Hebrew. In *The Book of Jubilees* and in *Targum Yerushalmi*, we learn that the language God used at Creation and in the Garden of Eden was Hebrew. Even the serpent spoke Hebrew, according to Midrash *Lekah Genesis* 31:1. So, inferentially, angels also spoke it, or speak it. The *Apocalypse of Paul* puts it precisely: “Hebrew, the speech of God and the angels.” Indeed, in rabbinic lore, and in sundry secular writings, Hebrew is said to have been the language of all mankind up to the “confusion of tongues,” an event that occurred at the building of the Tower of Babel in 2247 B.C.E. (as computed by Archbishop Ussher, noted 17th-century Irish theologian).¹⁹

That the Torah was originally conceived and set down in Hebrew is a widely postulated view among Jews, though disputed by Philo (who thought the language was Chaldean Aramaic) and by Muslims generally (who claim it was Arabic). St. Basil thought it was Syriac.²⁰ On the whole it is safe to say that the *lingua franca* of angels—of *all* spirits, in fact—is Hebrew. Some exegetes hold that angels, being monolingual, speak the holy tongue exclusively, not even understanding the closely related Aramaic (as specifically stated in *The Zohar* I, 92); other authorities contend differently. They point out that Gabriel, Metatron, and Zagzagel each had a knowledge of seventy languages.²¹ In recent times, Sandalphon was overheard conversing in Yiddish, the eavesdropper being the storyteller Isaac Bashevis Singer. Furthermore, we have it on the word of the Swedish mystic Swedenborg that angels not only speak Hebrew, they also write it. In his *Heaven and Its Wonders and Hell*, he avers that “a little paper was sent to me from Heaven on which a few words were written in Hebrew.” This remarkable document, so far as is known, was never produced for public scrutiny, nor has it ever turned up among Swedenborg’s effects.

Are angels immortal? In the opinion of most scholars, yes. But are angels eternal? No. God alone is eternal.²² Still, the life span of angels is a fairly long one, starting from the moment they were “willed into being” to the last crack of doom. But a number of angels have, mean-

18. Luther’s followers, in a work entitled *Theatrum Diabolorum*, not satisfied with the then-current estimates of devils, raised the figure to 2.5 billion, later to 10,000 billion. A reassuring thought, provided by *Hagiga* 16a, is that while “demons beget and increase like men, like men they die.”

19. At the Exodus and in the Wilderness, God also spoke Hamitic. He did this, it is said, in order to make Himself understood by the Egyptian Moses and by Hamitic-speaking Jews who made up the greater bulk of Moses’ followers.

20. See *The Book of Adam and Eve*, p. 245.

21. Talmud *Sotah*, fol. 36, narrates that Gabriel taught Joseph seventy languages overnight. The angel Kirtabus (in Tyana’s *Nuctemeron*) is described as a “genius of languages.”

22. John of Damascus qualifies this by saying in his *Exposition of the Orthodox Faith*: “God alone is eternal, or rather, He is above the Eternal; for He, the Creator of times, is not under the dominion of Time, but above Time.”

while, been snuffed out.²³ Thus God put an end to Rahab for refusing, as commanded, to divide the upper and lower waters.²⁴ God burned the angels of peace and truth, along with the hosts under them, as well as an entire legion of administering angels (*Yalkut Shimoni*), for objecting to the creation of man—a project the Creator had His heart particularly set on and was determined to carry through, although later He repented of the venture, as we learn from Genesis 6:6. God also annihilated a whole “globe of angels,” the Song-Uttering Choristers, for failing to chant the Trisagion at the appointed hour. And there is the case of a mortal doing away with an immortal: Moses, who in fact did away with two of them—Kemuel (already mentioned) and Hemah. This Hemah was the angel of fury “forged at the beginning of the world out of chains of black and red fire.” Legend has it that, after swallowing the Lawgiver up to the ankles, Hemah had to disgorge him at the timely intervention of the Lord. Moses then turned around and slew the vile fiend.

While there are numerous instances of angels turning into demons, as exemplified in the fall of one-third of the Heavenly hosts (Revelation 12), instances of mortals transformed into angels (named angels) are rare.²⁵ Four instances have come to light, three deriving from passages in Genesis and II Kings. The first relates to the patriarch Enoch, who was apotheosized into the god-angel Metatron. The second relates to the patriarch Jacob, who became Uriel, then Isra’el, “archangel of the power of the Lord” and chief tribune among the sons of God.²⁶ The third relates to the prophet Elijah, who drove to Heaven in a fiery chariot and, on arrival, was transformed into the angel Sandalphon.²⁷ The fourth instance, vouched for in *The Douce Apocalypse*, is that of St. Francis, who evolved into the angel Rhamiel.²⁸ Another instance is the transforming

23. The noted 12th-century Jewish poet and theologian, Judah ha-Levi (1085–1140) in his work called *The Book of Kuzari* (IV), taught that there were two classes or species of angels. He wrote: “As for the angels, some are created for the time being, out of the subtle elements of matter (as air or fire). Some are eternal (i.e., existing from everlasting to everlasting), and perhaps they are the spiritual intelligences of which the philosophers speak.” He goes on to say: “It is doubtful whether the angels seen by Isaiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel were of the class of those created for the time being, or of the class of spiritual essences which are eternal.” What were they then? one might ask. Saadia B. Joseph was of the opinion that they were visions seen during prophetic ecstasy rather than outward realities. In the view of St. John of Damascus (700?–754?), *Orthodox Faith*, angels are immortal, but “only by grace, not by nature.”

24. This “angel of insolence and pride” had two lives. He was deprived of the first for the reason given above. Two thousand years later, resuscitated but still obdurate, he reappears at the Exodus. Here he is drowned by God for espousing the cause of the Egyptians, which, as that nation’s tutelary angel, he was honor bound to do.

25. Origen’s belief in a “final restitution,” when God would forgive all his sinning creatures, even the most damned, opened the door to a return of Satan to his archangelic perch in the Heavenly purlieus. Because of this heretical belief Origen, it is said, was never canonized.

26. *Prayer of Joseph*.

27. Elijah-Sandalphon became the celestial psychopomp “whose duty it was,” says *Pirke R. Eliezer*, “to stand at the crossways of Paradise and guide the pious to their appointed places.”

28. According to Jewish tradition, all patriarchs, along with those who led exceptionally virtuous lives, attained angelic rank when they got to Heaven. This, however, has been disputed: “the belief that the souls of the righteous after death become angels has never been part of Jewish thought” (*Universal Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 314). That it was at one time part of patristic thinking can be deduced from Theodotus (*Excerpts*) to the effect that “those who are changed from men to angels are instructed for a thousand years by the angels, after they are brought to perfection” and that then “those who have been taught are translated to archangelic authority.”

of Anne, the Virgin's mother, into the angel Anas (*q.v.*). Mention might also be made here of three Biblical psalmists—Asaph, Heman, and Jeduthun—who showed up in Heaven, with their earthly names and occupations unchanged, as celestial choirmasters.

Regarding the sex or gender of angels, I was often hard put to arrive at any conclusion in the matter, even with the help of scholars. True, angels are pure spirits and so should be presumed to be bodiless and, hence, sexless.²⁹ But the authors of our sacred texts were not logicians or men of science; in the main, they were prophets, lawgivers, chroniclers, poets. They did not know how to represent invisible spirits other than by giving them visible, or tangible, embodiment: accordingly, they pictured angels in their own image (i.e., in the guise of men), acting and talking and going about their business—the Lord's business—the way men do.³⁰ Angels in Scripture, as a consequence, were conceived of as male.³¹ However, it was not long before the female of the species began putting in an appearance. In early rabbinic as well as in occult lore, there are quite a number of them: the Shekinah, for one. She was the "bride of God," the divine *inwohnung* in man, who dwelt with lawfully wedded couples and blessed their conjugal union. There was Pistis Sophia ("Faith/Wisdom"), a high-ranking gnostic aeon, said to be the "pro-creator of the superior angels." There was Barbelo, consort of Cosmocrator, a great archon, "perfect in glory and next in rank to the Father-of-All." There was Bat Qol, the "heavenly voice" or "daughter of the voice" of Jewish tradition, a prophetess symbolized as a dove, who gave warnings and counsel when the days of prophecy were over. Another female power that comes to mind is the gnostic Drop or Derdekea. According to the *Berlin Codex*, Drop used to descend to earth on critical occasions "for the salvation of mankind." And there were the six left-side emanations of God, created to counterbalance the ten male emanations that issued from God's right side.³² And finally there was the vixen Eisheth Zenunim, angel of prostitution and mate of Sammael. In Hebrew, *eisheth zenunim* means "woman of whoredom" and the epithet applied with equal force to three other wives of Sammael: Lilith, Naamah, Agrat bat Mahlah.

29. In theology there are three classifications of spirit: (1) God, Who is divine spirit; (2) angels and demons, who are pure spirits; and (3) man, who is impure spirit.

30. In *The Zohar* (Vayera 101a) we read: "When Abraham was still suffering from the effects of the circumcision, the Holy One sent him 3 angels, in visible shape, to enquire of his well-being." And the text goes on to say: "You may perhaps wonder how angels can ever be visible, since it is written, 'Who makes his angels spirits' (Psalms 104:4). Abraham, however, assuredly did see them, as they descended to earth in the form of men. And, indeed, whenever the celestial spirits descend to earth, they clothe themselves in corporeal elements and appear to men in human shape." But it is difficult to reconcile the foregoing with the statement in *The Book of Jubilees* (15:27) that "all the angels of the presence and all the angels of sanctification" were already circumcised when they were created. On the issue of the materiality of angels, authorities have been divided. Those who believe that angels are composed of matter and form include Alexander of Hales, Bernard of Clairvaux, St. Bonaventura, Origen. Those who hold, to the contrary, that angels are incorporeal include Dionysius the Areopagite, John of Rochelle, Moses Maimonides, Maximus the Confessor, and William of Auvergne.

31. The Koran 53:27: "Those who disbelieve in the Hereafter [are those who] name the angels with the names of females."

32. In the texts of the early commentators, Moses of Burgos and Isaac Ben R. Jacob ha-Cohen, as in the supplement to *The Zohar*, there are also ten evil emanations (male), of which "only seven were permitted to endure." See Appendix.

This free-loving quartet constituted a kind of composite Jewish equivalent of the Sidonian Astarte.

Zoroastrianism, which was not averse to including females in its pantheon, had its Anahita, a lovely luminary characterized as "the immortal one, genius of fertilizing waters." Offsetting her was Mairya, evil harbinger of death, represented indiscriminately as male and female. She (or he) tempted Zoroaster with the kingdoms of the earth, just as, in Matthew 4, Satan tempted Jesus. Another angel of indeterminate sex was Apsu. In Babylonian-Chaldean mythology, Apsu was the "female angel of the abyss"; but, though female, she fathered the Babylonian gods and was at the same time the husband or wife of Tamat. She (or he) was slain finally by her (his) son Ea. A true *tumtum*!³³ It seems, also, according to *Genesis Rabba* and confirmed by Milton in *Paradise Lost* I, 423-424, that angels, at least some of them, were able to change their sex at will. *The Zohar* (Vayehi 232b) phrases it this way: "Angels, who are God's messengers, turn themselves into different shapes, being sometimes female and sometimes male."

To revert to the question as to whether angels have an existence outside Holy Writ, or apart from the beliefs and testimony of visionaries, fabulists, hermeneuts, ecstasies, etc. Such a question has been a debatable one from almost the start, even before the down-to-earth Sadducees repudiated them and the apocalyptic Pharisees acknowledged and espoused them. Aristotle and Plato believed in angels (Aristotle called them intelligences). Socrates, who believed in nothing that could not be verified by (or was repugnant to) logic and experience, nevertheless had his *daimon*, an attendant spirit, whose voice warned the marketplace philosopher whenever he was about to make a wrong decision.³⁴ Now, to invent an angel, a hierarchy, or an order in a hierarchy, required some imagination but not too much ingenuity. It was sufficient merely to (1) scramble together letters of the Hebrew alphabet; (2) juxtapose such letters in anagrammatic, acronymic, or cryptogrammatic form; (3) tack on to any place, property, function, attribute, or quality the theophorous "el" or "irion." Thus Hod (meaning splendor, like *zohar*) was transformed into the angel Hodiel. Gevurah (meaning strength) burgeoned into the angel Gevurael or Gevirion. Tiphereth (meaning beauty) provided the basis for the sefira Tipherethiel. The lords of the various hierarchic orders came into being in similar fashion, Cherubiel becoming the eponymous chief of the order of cherubim; Seraphiel, the eponymous chief of the order of seraphim; Hashmal, of the hashmallim, etc. Countless "paper angels" or "suffix angels," many of them unpronounceable and irreducible to intelligent listing, were thus fabricated; they passed, virtually unchallenged, into the religious and secular literature of the day, to be accredited after a while as valid. In some cases they were given canonical or deuterocanonical status. The practice preempted no one from begetting *ex nihilo* and *ad infinitum* his

33. *Tumtum* is a Talmudic term for any spirit whose sex could not be easily determined. See M. Jastrow, *Dictionary of the Targumin, Talmud Babli and Yerusalmi*, and the *Midrashim Literature*.

34. In the Middle Ages, the most eminent scholars and divines ranged themselves on opposite sides of the question. And that is perhaps still true today; a belief in angels is part of the doctrine of three of the four major faiths—Christian (mainly Catholics), Jewish (mainly orthodox), Mohammedan.

own breed of angels, and putting them into orbit.³⁵ The unremitting industry of early cabalists in creating angels spilled over into the raiding of pagan pantheons, and transforming Persian, Babylonian, Greek, and Roman divinities into Jewish hierarchs. Thus the kerubim of the ancient Assyrians—those huge, forbidding stone images placed before temples and palaces—emerge in Genesis 3 as animate cherubim, guardian angels armed with flaming swords east of Eden and, later, in upper Paradise, as charioteers of God (after Ezekiel encountered them at the River Chebar). The Akkadian lord of Hell, the lion-headed Nergal, was converted into the great, holy Nasargiel, and in this acceptable guise served Moses as cicerone when the Lawgiver visited the underworld. Hermes, the good *daimon*, inventor of the lyre and master of song in Greek mythology, became in Jewish lore the angel Hermesiel and identified with David, “sweet singer of Israel.” The rabbinic Ashmedai derived from the zend Aeshmadeva. Etc., etc.

The Church, let it be said to its credit, tried to call a halt to the traffic, although the Church itself at one time recognized a considerable number of angels not in the calendar, and even permitted them to be venerated.³⁶ Scripture, as we have seen, gives the names of no more than two or three angels. That there may well be seven named angels in Scripture is the subject of a paper by this compiler; it is a thesis on which, admittedly, no two theologians are likely to agree.

In the “orthodox” count, fixed by the 6th-century pseudo-Dionysius (otherwise known as Dionysius the Areopagite),³⁷ there are nine orders in the celestial hierarchy. But there are other “authoritative” lists provided by sundry Protestant writers that give seven, nine, twelve orders, including such rarely encountered ones as flames, warriors, entities, seats, hosts, lordships, etc. The Dionysian sequence of the orders, from seraphim to angels (a sequence for which there is no Biblical warrant, and which Calvin summarily dismissed as “the vain babblings of idle men”) has likewise been shuffled about, some sources ranking seraphim last (rather than first), archangels second (rather than eighth), virtues seventh (rather than fourth or sixth), and so on.³⁸

Miracles, feats of magic, heavenly visitations, and overshadowings are often ascribed to

35. Isaac de Acco (13th–14th century), a disciple of Nahmanides, “laid claim to the performance of miracles by a transposition of Hebrew letters according to a system he pretended to have learned from the angels.” See A. E. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 53.

36. Certain early theologians like Eusebius (c. 263–c. 339) and Theodoret (c. 393–c. 458) opposed the veneration of angels, and a Church council at Laodicea (343–381?) condemned Christians “who gave themselves up to a masked idolatry in honor of the angels.” This, despite the fact that St. Ambrose (339?–397) exhorted the faithful, in his *De Viduis*, 9, to “pray to the angels, who are given to us as guardians.” In the 8th century, at the 2nd Council of Nicaea (787), there was another change of heart, for the worship of angelic beings was then formally approved. The practice, nevertheless, seems to have fallen into disuse. Today there is a trend in some ecclesiastical circles to revive it. The Dominican priest Pie-Raymond Régamey, author of *What Is an Angel?* (1960), thinks that veneration of angels is not a bad thing, but warns against the “danger of such devotion becoming superficial.”

37. The time that Dionysius lived and wrote has never been satisfactorily determined. Originally his writings were attributed to one of the judges of the Greek *areopagus* (court), whom Paul converted (Acts 17:34). But scholars, finding such dating untenable, moved the time ahead to the 6th century. However, according to a French legend cited by A. B. Jameson (*Legends of the Madonna*), “Dionysius the Areopagite was present at the death of the Virgin Mary,” which would place him back in the 1st century. The legend relates that “Dionysius stood around the bier beside the twelve apostles, the two great angels of death (Michael and Gabriel), and a host of lamenting lesser angels.”

38. Cf. varying sequences of the ninefold hierarchy offered by Augustine (*City of God*), Gregory the Great (*Homilia* and *Moralia*), Isidore of Seville (*Etymologiarum*), Bernard of Clairvaux (*de consideratione*), Edmund Spenser (*An Hymne of Heavenly Beautie*), Drummond of Hawthornden (*Flowres of Sion*), etc.

different angels.³⁹ Thus, the three “men” whom Abraham entertained unawares have been identified as God, Michael, and Gabriel; also, according to Philo, as the Logos, the Messiah, and God. In Matthew, the news of Mary being found with child of the Holy Ghost is conveyed to her spouse Joseph by the “angel of the Lord”; in Luke it is Gabriel who does the announcing—not to Joseph but direct to Mary who, however, seems to know nothing of the matter. The overnight destruction of the army of Sennacherib, numbering 185,000 men, ascribed in II Kings to the “angel of the Lord,” has been laid to the prowess of Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, or Remiel. No one has yet, to the knowledge of this investigator, identified the specific “angel of the Lord” whom David saw “standing between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched over Jerusalem” (I Chronicles 2:16). A good guess would be Michael, for that battle-ax of God, when he is not in Heaven assisting Zehanjiryu or Dokieli in the weighing in of souls, is busy on earth lopping off the heads of the unfaithful.⁴⁰

In their hurried exodus from Egypt, and in their encounter with Pharaoh’s horsemen at the Red (Reed) Sea, the Hebrews were helped by “the angel of God, which went before . . . and behind them . . . in a pillar of fire and cloud” (Exodus 14). Here the identity of the angel of God poses no problem: he was Michael or Metatron, each the tutelary prince-guardian of Israel. However, Michael or Metatron did not fight alone: he had the aid of a swarm of “ministering angels who began hurling [at the pursuing or retreating Egyptians] arrows, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.”⁴¹ Present also, it is reported, were hosts of “angels and seraphim, singing songs of praise to the Lord,” which must have helped considerably in turning the tide of battle. On the enemy side, harrying the Hebrews, was the guardian angel of Egypt, once holy but now corrupt. It appears though that Egypt had more than one guardian angel—four in fact, and that they all showed up, armed to the teeth. Various sources identify them as Uzza, Rahab, Mastema, and Duma. The fate of Rahab we know: he was drowned, along with the Egyptian horsemen. Mastema and Duma went back to Hell, where they had unfinished business to attend to. As for Uzza, some authorities say he was actually Semyaza, grandfather of Og, a leader of the fallen angels; and that since the Red Sea episode, and after his unfortunate affair with the maiden Ishtar (immortalized in song by Byron), he hangs head down between Heaven and earth in the neighborhood of the constellation Orion. Indeed, Graves and Patai in their *Hebrew Myths* say that Semyaza is merely the Hebrew form for the Greek Orion.

39. Miracles and magic were not always frowned upon by the Church, despite Jesus’ exhortation against signs and wonders as a basis for belief (John 4:48). When Pico della Mirandola (1463–1494) declared that “no science yields greater proof of angels, purgatory, hellfire, and the divinity of Christ than magic and the Kabbalah,” Pope Sixtus IV “was delighted and had the Kabbalah translated into Latin for the use of students of divinity” (Albert C. Sundberg, Jr., in *The Old Testament of the Early Church*, Harvard Theological Studies, 1964). However, a commission appointed by a succeeding pope, Innocent VIII, condemned at least ten of Pico’s theses as “rash, false, and heretical.” This seems to have been the attitude of the Church thereafter, the cabala being proscribed as a Jewish system of black magic, the “laboratory of Satan.”

40. Tractate Beshallah, *Mekilta de Rabbi Ishmael*, vol. 1, p. 245.

41. Martin Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim, Later Masters*, chapter on Rabbi Yaakov of Sadagora. While God, naturally, rejoiced over the victory of His Chosen People, He did not like to see His angels crowing over it. Thus, the Talmudists describe God as silencing an angelic chorus that chanted hallelujahs when the Egyptian hosts met with disaster, by crying out: “How dare you sing in rejoicing when my handiwork [i.e., the Egyptians] is perishing in the sea!” [*Rf. Ben Zion Bokser, The Wisdom of the Talmud*, p. 117.]

Jacob's antagonist at Peniel was God, as Jacob himself finally figured out when day broke (Genesis 32:30). But our learned rabbis, after pondering the text, have concluded that the antagonist was not God but an angel of God, and that he was either Uriel, Gabriel, Michael, Metatron, or even Sammael, prince of death.⁴²

When Enoch was translated to Heaven, his angelic guide, according to Enoch's own testimony, was Uriel. But later on in the same book (*Enoch I*) Uriel turns out to be Raphael, then Raguel, then Michael, then Uriel all over again. Apparently they were the same angel, for Enoch throughout speaks of "the angel that was with me." But perhaps it is too much to expect Enoch to be consistent. He is, as we have seen, notoriously unreliable. True, we do not have his original scripts, or even early copies; the writings accredited to him have come down to us in a hopelessly corrupt form, much of it clearly "doctored" to conform to the views of interested parties. Still it is hard to believe he was a clear thinker or accurate reporter, although he purports to have been an eyewitness in many of the incidents he describes.

The habitat of angels proved equally perplexing. In the opinion of Aquinas, angels cannot occupy two places at the same time (theoretically it would not be impossible for them, being pure spirits, to do so). On the other hand, they can journey from one place to another, however far removed, in the twinkling of an eye. In angelology, one comes upon instance after instance where an angel is a resident of, or presides over, two or three Heavens simultaneously. Thus, in *Hagiga* 12b, Michael is the archistrategus of the 4th Heaven. Here he "offers up daily sacrifice." But Michael is also governor of the 7th and 10th Heavens. As for Metatron, he is reputed to occupy "the throne next to the throne of Glory," which would fix his seat in the 7th Heaven, the abode of God. But we find Metatron, like Michael, a tenant of the 10th Heaven, the *primum mobile*, which is likewise the abode of God—when, that is, God is not in residence in the 7th.

Gabriel, lord of the 1st Heaven, has been glimpsed sitting enthroned "on the left-hand side of God (Metatron's throne, then, must be on God's right)."⁴³ This would indicate that Gabriel's proper province is not the 1st but the 7th or 10th Heaven (it was in the 10th Heaven that Enoch beheld "the vision of the face of the Lord"). However, according to Milton in *Paradise Lost* IV, 549, Gabriel is chief of the angelic guard placed over Paradise, and Paradise being in the 3rd Heaven, we should, accordingly, find the enthroned Annunciator camping out there.

Logically, one should look for Shamshiel, prince of Paradise,⁴⁴ in zebul or sagun (the 3rd Heaven) where Azrael, suffragan angel of death, lodges, next to the Tree of Life. But some

42. There are any number of princes or angels of death. Prominent among them, besides Sammael, are Kafziel, Kezef, Satan, Suriel, Yehudiam, Michael, Gabriel, Metatron, Azrael, Abaddon/Apollyon. They are all under orders from God. When they fail to accomplish their mission, as in the case of Moses who refused to give up the ghost, then God Himself acts as His own angel of death. According to legend (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 473), after God used His best arguments to persuade the aged Lawgiver that he would be better off dead than alive, and the Lawgiver still proving stubborn, God descended from Heaven (in the company of Michael, Gabriel, and Zagzagel) and "took Moses' soul with a kiss" (Jude 9). The legend goes on to say that God then buried Moses, but "in a spot that remained unknown, even to Moses himself."

43. It is here also "on the right hand of God the Father Almighty" that Jesus sits, according to the Apostles' Creed.

44. Other princes of Paradise include Johiel, Zephon, Zotiel, Michael, Gabriel.

sources place Shamshiel in charge of the 4th Heaven (also called zebul).⁴⁵ On the other hand, if we go by *The Book of Jubilees*, Shamshiel is chief of the Watchers, and so properly he would be overseeing the 2nd or 5th Heaven, where the Watchers dwell, "crouched in everlasting despair." Furthermore, in the guise of Shemuïel (the archonic warden who stands at the windows of Heaven "listening for the songs of praise ascending from synagogues and houses of study below"), Shamshiel would be posted at the portal of the 1st Heaven. Which leaves Shamshiel where? Obviously, in an emergency, it would be difficult to locate him.

A final instance: Zagzagel or Zagzagaël, prince of the Torah, "angel with the horns of glory," is the celestial guard of the 4th Heaven—let us bear in mind that Shamshiel is already in charge at this level—and Zagzagel, being at the same time seneschal of the 7th Heaven, his stewardship of the 4th Heaven poses a knotty problem. Confusion without end! One is constrained to cry out, with the dying Goethe: "More light!"

A contemporary of the great Hillel, Ben Hai Hai (identified with another noted rabbi of his day, Ben Bag Bag) used to say: "According to the labor is the reward."⁴⁶ Goethe in *Faust*, part 6, comforts his readers with a similar maxim: "Kühn das Mühen, herrlich der Lohn"—"Daring the labor, lordly the reward."

If there is any reward for the labor of compiling this Dictionary, it is in the knowledge that every effort has been made to keep the sins of commission and omission down to a minimum (and no one knows better than the author how many sins may be committed in the course of such a work). There are still many problems left unresolved here. This is due either to the inaccessibility of much of the extant material in the field or to its indecipherability, or because the wit and wisdom to provide the solutions were wanting. Future investigators, better equipped, for whom some of the underbrush has been cleared away, may be able to provide the solutions, along with the names of additional angels that no doubt will turn up in new finds. I might interpose here (to paraphrase Rabbi Nathan's famous dictum, "He who preserves a life preserves a world") that the preserving of a single angel—not one of the "suffix" creatures—is like preserving a whole hierarchy. The task certainly is not an easy one, but it may prove easier than the one confronting this voyager when he started out on his quest, primed with only the scantiest notion of the labor that lay ahead.

A good way to conclude this *Apologia pro libro suo* is to quote from a recently published paper on the guise of angels. It was there intimated that "in view of the continuing hold of the supernatural over the minds of men, and the fact that a belief in the existence of angels (and demons) is an article of faith with two of our major world religions, and part of the tradition of at least four of them (Persian, Jewish, Christian, Muslim), it is highly probable that we shall have the winged creatures with us for a long, long time to come." True, we may not always know whether we are in the presence of "a spirit of health or goblin damned," whether we are being fanned by "airs from Heaven or blasts from Hell," but it is best to be on guard. Even Satan, as Paul cautioned us, can show himself transformed into an angel of light.

45. In Peter de Abano, *Heptameron*, zebul is also a designation for the 6th Heaven.

46. *Pirke Aboth*, chapter 5, mishna 26.

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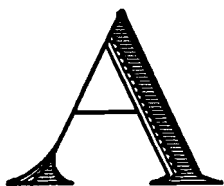
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A'albiel—an angel in the service of the archangel Michael. [Rf. M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*.]

Aariel ("lion of God")—the name of an angel found inscribed on an Ophitic (gnostic) amulet alongside the name of the god Ialdabaoth (*q.v.*). [Rf. Bonner, *Studies in Magical Amulets*.]

Aba—an angelic luminary concerned with human sexuality and who may be invoked in cabalistic magical rites. Aba serves as a ministering angel to Sarabotes (who is Friday ruler of the angels of the air). [See Abalidoth. Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*; Masters, *Eros and Evil*.]

Ababaloy—an angel invoked in Solomonic incantation operations. Ababaloy is mentioned in the black-magic manual, *Grimorium Verum*.

Abachta (Abagtha)—in rabbinic writings, one of the 7 angels of confusion, the other 6 being Barbonah (Harbonah), Bigtha, Carcas, Biztha, Mehuman, and Zether. Abachta is also numbered among the "pressers of the winepress." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 374.]

***Abaddon** (Abbadon, the "destroyer")—the Hebrew name for the Greek Apollyon, "angel of the bottomless pit," as in Revelation 9:10; and the angel (or star) that binds Satan for 1,000 years, as in Revelation 20. *The Thanksgiving Hymns* (a copy of which turned up among the recently discovered Dead Sea scrolls) speaks of "the Sheol of Abaddon" and of the "torrents of Belial [that] burst into Abaddon." The 1st-century apocryphon *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo* speaks of Abaddon as a place (sheol, hell), not as a spirit or demon or angel. In *Paradise Regained* (IV, 624) Milton likewise employs Abaddon as the name of a place, i.e., the pit. As far as is known, it was St. John, who first personified the term to stand for an angel. In the 3rd-century *Acts of Thomas*, Abaddon is the name of a demon, or of the devil himself—which is how Bunyan regards him in *Pilgrim's Progress*. According to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Abaddon is a name for God that Moses invoked to bring down the blighting rain over Egypt. The cabalist Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla denominates Abaddon as the 6th lodge of the 7 lodges of Hell (arka), under the presidency of the angel Pasiel (*q.v.*). Klopstock in *The Messiah* calls

Abaddon "death's dark angel." A reference to Abaddon's "hooked wings" occurs in Francis Thompson's poem "To the English Martyrs." [See Apollyon.] Abaddon has also been identified as the angel of death and destruction, demon of the abyss, and chief of demons of the underworld hierarchy, where he is equated with Samael or Satan. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Grillo, *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 128.] In the latter work, Abaddon is the "Destroying Angel of the Apocalypse." In Barrett, *The Magus*, Abaddon is pictured, in color, as one of the "evil demons."

Abadon—a term for the nether world (see Abaddon). The spelling here (with one 'd') is from *The Zohar* (Deuteronomy 286a).

Abagtha [Abachta]

Abalidoth—a celestial luminary who, like the angel Aba (q.v.), is concerned with human sexuality. Abalidoth is a minister-angel serving King Sarabotes, Friday ruler of the angels of the air. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; Masters, *Eros and Evil*.]

Abalim (Arelim)—an order of angels known in Christian angelology as thrones. The equation is put thus in *The Magus*. "Thrones, which the Hebrew call Abalim, that is, great angels, mighty and strong." The chief intelligences (i.e., angels) of the order are Zaphkiel and Jophiel (qq.v.).

Aban—in ancient Persian lore, Aban is (or was) the angel of the month of October. He governed also the 10th day of that month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Abariel—in ceremonial magic tracts, an angel used for invoking. The name Abariel is found inscribed on the 2nd pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Abaros [Armaros]

Abasdarhon—supreme ruling angel of the 5th hour of the night. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Abathur Muzania (Abyatur)—in Mandaean cosmology, the *uthra* (angel) of the North Star. He presides over the scales in which the human soul is weighed at the death of the body. Cf. Ashriel and

Monker (the latter, the Mohammedan black angel), both credited with performing a similar task. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*.]

Abay—an angel of the order of dominations (dominions), invoked in cabalistic conjuring rites.

Abbadon [Abaddon]

Abbadona—a fallen angel, a seraph, at one time the chosen companion of the faithful Abdiel (q.v.). In Klopstock, *The Messiah*, Canto 21, Abbadona, not wholly committed to the rebellion and constantly bemoaning his apostasy, is called "the penitent angel." It should be pointed out, however, that a fallen angel cannot repent—not, at least, in Catholic doctrine—for once an angel sins, he is "fixed eternally in evil" and his mind, accordingly, can think evil only.

Abbaton—a name of God or of a holy angel employed in Solomonic conjurations to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] The word has the meaning of death and, in this sense, Abbaton is Death and a guardian spirit in Hell. [Rf. the Coptic *Book of the Resurrection of Christ by Bartholomew the Apostle*, segments of which are quoted by M. R. James in *The Apocryphal New Testament*.]

Abdals ("the substitutes")—in Islamic lore, the name given to 70 mysterious spirits whose identities are known to God alone, and through whose operations the world continues to exist. When one of these divine entities dies (the Abdals are not, apparently, immortal), another is secretly appointed by God to replace him. Of the 70, two score reside in Syria. (Cf. "The Just" in Jewish folklore, and the Lamas of India.)

Abdia ("servant")—the name of an angel that appears on the external circle of the pentagram of Solomon. Abdia is listed in Figure 156 in Waite, *The Lemegeton*. The listing of an angel in a book of black magic does not mean necessarily that he is evil. Many good and great angels are so listed; also, many good and great angels are in Hell, stationed there to serve God's purpose—just as there are evil angels in certain quarters in Heaven (the grigori, for example).



Angel with the Key of the Abyss by Albrecht Dürer. Gravure on wood, in the Bibliothèque Nationale. The angel is Abaddon/Apollyon. From Willi Kurth, *The Complete Woodcuts of Albrecht Dürer*. New York: Dover Publications, 1963.

Abdiel ("servant of God")—the earliest traceable reference to Abdiel as an angel is in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, a Jewish cabalistic work of the Middle Ages written in rabbinic Hebrew, the authorship credited to Eleazar of Worms. In *Paradise Lost* V, 805, 896, Abdiel is the "flaming seraph" who routs Ariel, Arioc, and Ramiel (rebel angels among Satan's hosts) on the first day of fighting in Heaven. Satan himself reels from Abdiel's "mighty sword stroke." Milton hails the seraph as "faithful only hee; among innumerable false, unmov'd, / Unshak'n, unseduc'd" (896-897). West in *Milton and the Angels*, p. 124, states that Abdiel as an angel was invented by Milton; however, on p. 154, Professor West correctly points out that Abdiel is to be found in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* (*op. cit.*). In the Bible (I Chronicles), Abdiel is not the name of an angel but of a mortal, a Gidite, a resident of Gilead. This is doubtlessly the original source for the name. Abdiel figures as an angel in Anatole France's fictional *The Revolt of the Angels*. Here Abdiel is known as Arcade.

Abdizriel (Abdizuel)—in the cabala, one of 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.] For the names of all 28 angels, see Appendix.

Abedumabal (Bedrimulael)—in the goetic tract *Grimorium Verum*, an angel invoked in magical prayer.

Abel ("meadow")—souls on arrival in Heaven are judged by Abel, who is one of 12 powers engendered by the god Ialdabaoth (*q.v.*). He is also of the angels of the 4th Heaven ruling on Lord's Day and invoked from the east. In *The Testament of Abraham* 13:11, Abel is the angel "before whom every soul must appear for judgment after Enoch, the heavenly scribe, fetches the book containing the record of the soul in question." [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Abelech (Helech)—in occult lore, a name of God or of an angel invoked to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Abezi-Thibod ("father devoid of counsel")—in early Jewish lore, Abezi-Thibod is another name for Samael, Mastema, Uzza, and other chief devils. He is a powerful spirit who fought Moses in Egypt, hardened Pharaoh's heart and assisted Pharaoh's magicians. He was drowned (with Rahab, *q.v.*) in the Red (i.e., Reed) Sea. With Rahab, he shares the principedom over Egypt. In *The Testament of Solomon* (*Jewish Quarterly Review*, London, 1889, XI), Abezi is the son of Beelzeboul (Beelzebub) and the demon of the Red Sea: "I am a descendant of the archangel," he declares.

Abheiel—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon.

Abiou—corresponding angel of Eiael (*q.v.*).

Abiressia—in gnostic lore, Abiressia is one of 12 powers engendered by the god Ialdabaoth. [See Abel. Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics* II.]

Ablati—in Solomonian magical tracts, an angel invoked in the Uriel conjurations. He is "one of four words God spoke to his servant Moses," the other 3 words being Josta, Agla, and Caila. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.]

Aboezra—an angel so named in *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*—"the most holy Aboezra." He is invoked in the benediction of the Salt, as prescribed in the *Grimorium Verum*.

Abacadabra ("I bless the dead")—one of 3 holy names invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. The word is one of the most ancient in magic; it derives, so it is said, from the Hebrew "ha brachah dabarah" ("speak the blessing"). As an amulet or charm, inscribed on parchment, it was hung around the neck to ward off disease. The invocant, when chanting the word, reduced it letter by letter until he had only the final "A" left. [See Abraxas.]

Abrael [Abru-El]

Abragategh—a spirit or angel invoked in Solomonian prayer by the Master of the Art. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Abramus [Abrimas]

Abrasiel—an angel of the 7th hour of the day, operating under the rulership of Barginiel. [Rf. "The Pauline Art" in Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 67.]

Abraxas (Abraxis, Abrasax, etc.)—in gnostic theogony, the Supreme Unknown; in Persian mythology, the source of 365 emanations. The name Abraxas is often found engraved on gems and used as an amulet, or for incantation. In the cabala, he is the prince of aeons. He is encountered in *The Sword of Moses*, *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, and other tracts of magic and mysticism. According to the older mythographers, Abraxas is, or was, a demon, and placed with the Egyptian gods. The word "abracadabra" is reputedly derived from Abraxas. Originally it was a word expressing, in the gnostic system, the aeons or cycles of creation; in a deeper sense, it served as a term for God. The gnostic writer Basilides, who is said to have invented Abraxas, according to Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*, claims that Abraxas was the archon-ruler of 365 Heavens, and acted as mediator between the animate creatures of the earth and the godhead. [See pictorial representation of a cock-headed Abraxas in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 208.]

Abrid—in occult lore, an angel of the summer equinox, effective especially as an amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 139, where Abrid is listed with half a dozen other *memunim*, i.e., deputy angels.]

Abriel—one of the angels of (or formerly of) the order of dominations, invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Abrimas—an angel invoked at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 139.]

Abrinael [Abrunael]

Abru-El ("power of God")—the Arab equivalent for Gabriel. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

Abrunael—one of the 28 angels ruling over the

28 mansions of the moon. See Appendix for a list of all 28 ruling angels.

Absinthium—the Latin form for Wormwood (*q.v.*).

Abtelmoluchos [Temeluch]

Abuhaza—in occultism, an angel ministering to Arcan, the latter being ruler of the angels of the air on Monday. He is subject to the West Wind. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Abuionij—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, and other occult works, an angel serving in the 2nd Heaven.

Abuiori (Abuioro)—in ritual magic, a Wednesday angel resident in either the 2nd or 3rd Heaven (according to different sources). He is to be invoked from the north. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Abuliel—in Jewish occult lore, the angel in charge of the transmission of prayer. He is mentioned in Joffe and Mark, *Great Dictionary of Yiddish Language* I. Since he is not mentioned in Margouliath, *Malache Elyon* (Heavenly Angels), or in any of the hechaloth tracts that have so far come to light, or in Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, or in any of Gershom Scholem's works, Abuliel cannot be regarded as an angel of great importance. The supreme angels of prayer are Akatriel, Metatron, Raphael, Sandalphon, Michael, and Sizouze. It is possible that Abuliel assisted one of the foregoing.

Abuzohar—one of the angels of the moon, serving on Monday and responsive to invocations in ritual magic. [Rf. *Les Admirables Secrets d'Albert le Grand*.]

Acclamations—according to Robert Fludd in his *Utriusque cosmi majoris et minoris historia*, the acclamations are one of 3 primary angelic hierarchies, each hierarchy being subdivided into 3 secondary hierarchies. Fludd calls the other 2 primary hierarchies voices and apparitions.

Accusing Angel, The—usually the accusing angel is the adversary (*ha-satan*), as in Job. He is also Sammael or Mastema (*q.v.*). The hasidic

Rabbi Zusya, in referring to *Pirke Aboth* (Sayings of the Fathers), recalls the dictum that "every sin begets an accusing angel."

Achaiah ("trouble")—in the cabala, one of 8 seraphim; he is the angel of patience and the discoverer of the secrets of nature. His corresponding angel is Chous. For Achaiah's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260. In the New Testament, Achaiah is a Roman province. Paul visited the churches in that region (Acts 18:12, 27).

Achamoth—one of the aeons, and a daughter of Pistis Sophia (q.v.). In Ophitic gnosticism, Achamoth is the mother of the evil god Ildabaoth. [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*.]

Achartiel and **Achathriel**—angelic names found inscribed on oriental charms (*kameoth*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Achazriel—an angel who serves as usher in the celestial court. [Rf. *Deuteronomy Rabba*.]

Acheliah—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet Venus. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Achides—this angel has his name inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Venus. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Achsah—a spirit of benevolence invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art in Solomonic conjurations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Achtariel [Akatriel]

Achusaton—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. For the names of all 15, see Appendix.

Aciei—one of the 7 underworld planetary sub-rulers, called Electors by Cornelius Agrippa, serving under the overlordship of the angel Raphael. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Aclahaye—genius of gambling; also one of the genii of the 4th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Acrabiel—an angel governing one of the signs of the zodiac. [Rf. Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Adabiel—in *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, one of the 7 archangels. Probably another form for Abdiel (q.v.). Adabiel has dominion over the planet Jupiter (other sources give Mars). He is sometimes equated with Zadkiel, or even with the king of Hades, Nergal.

Adad—in Assyro-Babylonian mythology, the divinity of thunder; also "lord of foresight." [Rf. Huyghe, *Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology*, p. 59.]

Adadiyah—one of the more than 100 names of Metatron.

Adam ("man")—in *The Book of Adam and Eve* I, 10, Adam is called "the bright angel." In *Enoch II*, he is a "second angel." When he was created, Adam reached from "the earth to the firmament," according to the midrash *Bereshith Rabba*. In the cabala, Adam is the 6th sephira Tiphereth (meaning "beauty"), according to Pistorius. Adam's dust, declared Rabbi Meier, was gathered from all parts of the earth. Talmud records that Adam was originally androgynous and the exact image of God (Who was likewise conceived as androgynous). The story in *The Apocalypse of Moses* is that Adam was whisked to Heaven by Michael in a fiery chariot. Another legend is that he was fetched from Hell by Jesus and transported to Heaven along with the other "saints in chains." Still another legend, recounted in the *Revelation of Moses* (Ante-Nicene Fathers Library, 8) is that Adam was buried by 4 angels—Uriel, Gabriel, Raphael, Michael. In Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*, the 10 sefiroth, in their totality, represent or constitute the archetypal man, Adam Kadmon.

Adam's Angel [Raziel]

Adatiel—an air spirit invoked in ritual magic. In the goetic tract the *Black Raven*, Adatiel is pictured as habited in a "billowing black-and-white mantle," but in the *Magia* [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*] he is pictured in a "billowing blue mantle."

Adeo—an angel of the order of dominations, according to *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. Adeo is invoked in magical rites.

Adernahael (Adnachiël?)—this angel was given by God a magical formula, set down in an Ethiopian amulet, for the cure of colic and stomach trouble. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 186.]

Adhaiijon—an angel of the Seal, invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Adhar—one of the many names of the angel Metatron (q.v.).

Adiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 7th heavenly hall.

Adimus—at a church council in Rome in 745 c.e., Adimus was one of a half-dozen reprobated angels, the others including Uriel (sic), Raguel, Simiel. The bishops who invoked these angels, or approved their veneration, were excommunicated. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Adir (Adiri, Adiron, Adi)—an angel invoked in conjuring operations by a progressive shortening of his name; also one of the many names for God. [See Adiririon.]

Adirael ("magnificence of God")—one of the 49 spirits (once exalted) now serving Belzebud, sub-prince of Hell. [Rf. Mathers, *The Book of the Sacred Magic of Abra-Melin the Mage*, p. 108.]

Adiram—an angel invoked in the benediction or exorcism of the Salt. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Adiriah—an angel resident in the 7th Heaven. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*.]

Adiriel—an angel resident in the 5th Heaven, according to *The Zohar*. [See Adiririon.]

Adirir(i)on (Adir, Adiron)—angelic chief of "the might of God;" also a name for God. Adiririon is invoked as an amulet against the evil eye. He is said to be a guard stationed at one of the halls or palaces of the 1st Heaven. According to Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*, Adiririon may be

equated with Adiriel [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.] In *Sefer Raziel* (The Book of the Angel Raziel), Adirion or Adiririon is a "trusty healing-God, in whose hands are the Heavenly and earthly households."

Adityas—the shining gods of the Vedic pantheon, consisting of 7 celestial deities or angels, with Varuna as chief. The other 6 are: Mithra, Savitar, Bhaga, Indra, Daksha, Surya. [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*; Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Adjuchas—genius of the rocks; also one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Admael—one of the 7 archangels with dominion over the earth. Admael is stationed, for the most part, in the 2nd Heaven. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Adnachiël (Advachiël, Adernahael)—angel of the month of November, with rulership over the sign of Sagittarius. Adnachiël alternates with Phaleg as a ruling angel of the order of angels. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*; Barrett, *The Magus*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*.]

Adnai ("pleasure")—an angel whose name is found inscribed on a pentacle of the planet Venus. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Adnarel ("my lord is God")—in Enoch writings, one of the angelic rulers of one of the seasons (usually winter). [See Narel.]

Adoil ("hand of God")—a primordial essence or divine creature of light summoned out of the invisible depths and who, at God's command, burst asunder. This occurred (according to *Enoch II*) at the time Enoch was being shown around the 10 Heavens. Out of Adoil issued all things visible in the world. The name Adoil does not appear elsewhere than in *Enoch II*. R. H. Charles sees here a modification of the egg theory of the universe in ancient Egyptian myth.

Adonael—in *The Testament of Solomon*, one of the 7 archangels and the only angel who is able to overcome the demons of disease, Bobel (Bothothel) and Metathiax. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Adonaeth—by appealing to the angel Adonaeth, the demon Ichthion (who causes paralysis) can be routed. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Adonai (Adonay, "God")—one of the 7 *elohim* or angels of the presence (creators of the universe) in Phoenician mythology. Adonai is also an angel invoked in the conjuration of Wax (in Solomonic magic operations) and in exorcisms of fire. In Ophitic gnosticism, Adonai is one of 7 angels generated by Ildabaoth "in his own image." [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*.] In the Old Testament, Adonai is another word for God, as "When I have mercy on the world, I am Adonai."

Adoniaos (Adonaiu, Adoneus)—in the Ophitic (gnostic) system, one of the 7 archons or potentates that constitute the Hebdomad, rulers of the 7 Heavens; also one of the 12 powers engendered by the god Ildabaoth. [Rf. Origen, *Contra Celsum*; Dorese, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Adoniel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, a chief officer angel of the 12th hour of the night, serving under Sarindiel. His name is found inscribed on the 4th pentacle of the planet Jupiter, along with the name of the angel Bariel. The pentacle is reproduced in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, plate IV.

Adossia (fictional)—a supervising archangel in Gurdjieff's cosmic myth, *All and Everything*, *Beelzebub's Tales to his Grandson*.

Adoth—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a cherub or seraph used in conjuring rites.

Adoyahel—in the cabala, a ministering throne angel. He is one of 15, as listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. For the names of all 15, see Appendix.

Adrael ("my help is God")—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [See Adriel.]

Adrai—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors.

Adram[m]elech[k] ("king of fire")—one of 2 throne angels, usually linked with Asmadai (*q.v.*). In demonography, Adramelech is 8th of the 10 archdemons; a great minister and chancellor of the Order of the Fly (Grand Cross), an order said to have been founded by Beelzebub. According to the rabbis, Adramelech manifests, when conjured up, in the form of a mule or a peacock. In Seligmann, *History of Magic*, he is pictured in the shape of a horse. In II Kings 17:31, Adramelech is a god of the Sepharvite colony in Samaria to whom children were sacrificed. He has been equated with the Babylonian Anu and with the Ammonite Moloch. In *Paradise Lost*, Milton refers to Adramelech as an "idol of the Assyrians" (the name here deriving from Assyrian mythology), and in the same work—*Paradise Lost* VI, 365, Adramelech is a fallen angel overthrown by Uriel and Raphael in combat. In Klopstock, *The Messiah*, Adramelech is "the enemy of God, greater in malice, guile, ambition, and mischief than Satan, a fiend more curst, a deeper hypocrite." See picturization in Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*, p. 26, where Adramelech is shown bearded and winged, with the body of a lion. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 ed.), shows him in the form of a mule with peacock feathers.

Adrapen—a chief angel of the 9th hour of the night, serving under Nacoriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Adriel ("my help is God")—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon. Adriel is also one of the angels of death, according to Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, wherein, it is claimed, he will "in the last days slay all souls then living." In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316a and 317, Adriel is one of the angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind (also of the East Wind).

Adrigon—one of the many names of Metatron (*q.v.*).

Aduachiel [Adnachiell]



Infant angel by Titian. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Advachiel [Adnachiel]

Aebel—one of 3 ministering angels (the other 2 were Shetel and Anush) whom God appointed to serve Adam. According to *Yalkut Reubeni* and *The Book of Adam and Eve*, the 3 angels “roasted meat” for Adam and even “mixed his wine.”

Aeglun—genius of lightning and one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Aehaiah—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Aeon—in gnosticism, the aeon is a celestial power of a high order. It is a term used to designate the 1st created being or beings, with Abraxis as head; also, as an emanation of God, to be compared with the sefira (*q.v.*). Since Creation there have been, according to Basilides, 365 aeons (other sources give 8, 12, 24 and 30), chief among them, apart from Abraxis, being the female personification of wisdom (Pistis Sophia) and the male personification of power (Dynamis). Prior to the 6th century and the Dionysian hierarchic

system, the aeons were counted among the 10 angelic orders; they were personalized by the 3rd-century Hippolytus thus: Bythios, Mixis, Ageratos, Henosis, Autophyes, Hedone, Akinetos, Nonogenes, and Macaria. As far back as the 1st and 2nd centuries C.E., Ignatius Theophorus, in his *Epistles to the Trallians*, spoke of the “mightiness of the aeons, the diversity between thrones and authorities, the preeminence of the seraphim.” “The aeons,” says W. R. Newbold in “Descent of Christ in the Odes of Solomon” (*Journal of Biblical Literature*, December 1912), “are the hypostatized thoughts of God,” emanated in pairs, male and female, and, “taken together form the pleroma or fullness of God.” There is a myth of a proud aeon (probably Abraxis) who mirrored himself on chaos and became lord of the world. Early in life, George William Russell, the Irish poet and mystic, decided to sign his writings, “Aeon.” A proofreader, who could not decipher the word, queried “AE?” Russell adopted the initials and thereafter never wrote under his own name. [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*; Mead, *Fragments of a Faith Forgotten*; George William Russell (AE), *The Candle of Vision*.]

Aeshma—the basis for Asmodeus (*q.v.*). In Persian myth, Aeshma is one of the 7 archangels (i.e., amesha spentas). The name is drawn, in turn, from the Zend Aeshmo daeva (the demon Aeshma).

Angels by Dürer, detail from *Mass of St. Gregory*. Woodcut reproduction, title page of Jean Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*.

Aetherial Powers—a term for angels in *Paradise Regained* I, 163.

Af ("anger")—one of the angels of destruction, a prince of wrath, and a ruler over the death of mortals. With Hemah (q.v.), Af once swallowed Moses up to his "circumcised membrum," but had to disgorge him when Zipporah (Moses' wife) circumcised her son Gershom, thus appeasing God's wrath against the Lawgiver who had, it appears, overlooked the covenantly rite. Af resides in the 7th Heaven and is 500 parasangs tall. He is "forged out of chains of black and red fire." [Rf. *The Zohar*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 308, 328; *Midrash Tehillim*.]

Afafiël—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Afarof [Afriel]

Af Bri—an angel who favors the people of Israel; he exercises control over rain. (Cf. Matarel.) [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*.]

Affafniel—a wrathful angel, prince of 16 faces (4 on each side of his head) that constantly change their aspect. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Afkiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Afriel (Afarof)—an angel of force (power?) who may be Raphael in another guise. [Rf. Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.] In *The Testament of Solomon*, Afarof is reputed to possess the power of thwarting the machinations of the demon Obizuth, a female destroyer of children.

Afsi-Khof—an angel who governs the month of Av (July–August), as listed in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Aftemelouchos—according to a legend told in the *Falasha Anthology*, an angel of torment who, in Heaven, carries a fork of fire on the river of fire. [Rf. *Apocalypse of Paul*.]

Aftiel—in rabbinic lore, the angel of twilight. He is mentioned in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Agad—in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, an angel of the order of powers. In one of her poems "Sagesse," the poet H.D. (Hilda Doolittle) mentions Agad.

Agaf—an angel of destruction invoked in ceremonial rites at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Agalmaturod—in Waite, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, "a most holy angel of God" invoked in magical operations.

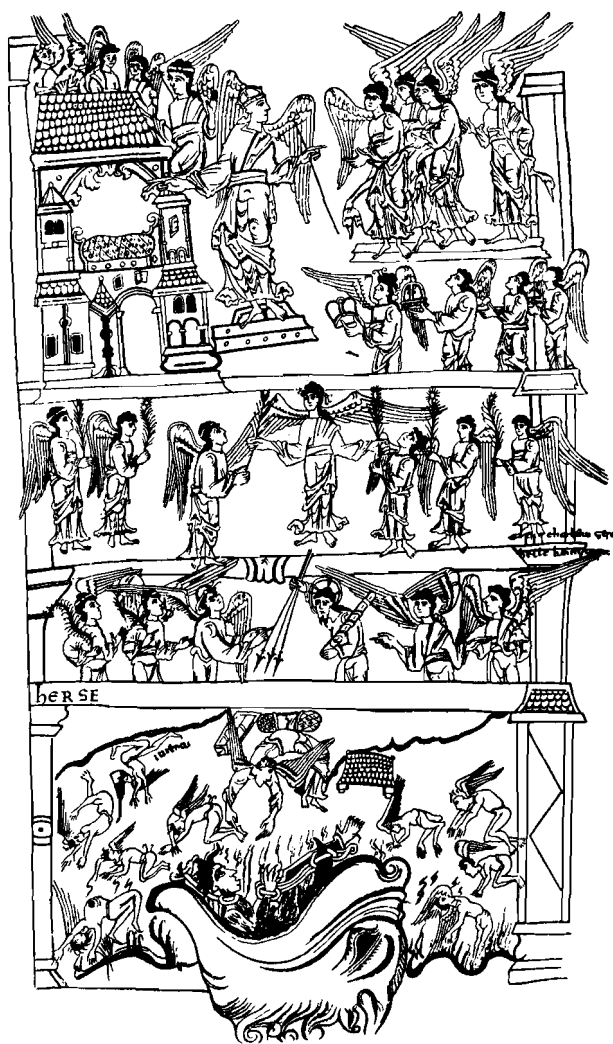
Agares (Agreas)—once of the order of virtues, Agares is now a duke in Hell, served by 31 legions of infernal spirits. He manifests in the form of an old man astride a crocodile and carrying a goshawk. He teaches languages and can cause earthquakes. His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 166. According to legend, Agares was one of the 72 spirits Solomon is reputed to have shut up in a brass vessel and cast into a deep lake (or banished to "lower Egypt").

Agason—an angelic spirit invoked in Solomonic conjurations as "thy Most Holy Name Agason." [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Agathodaemon—in gnosticism, "the seven-voweled serpent [seraph], the Christ." Derived from the Egyptian serpent Agathodaimon, the good spirit, as opposed to Kakadaimon, the evil spirit. Agathodaemon has also been designated a guardian angel or genius and identified with Hermes, "the bringer of good, the angel standing by the side of Tyche." [Rf. Harrison, *Epilogomena to the Study of Greek Religion*, p. 296; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*; Blavatsky, *The Secret Doctrine*.]

Agbas—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Agiel—an angel's name found inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet Mercury. According to Paracelsus' doctrine of Talismans, Agiel is the presiding intelligence (i.e., spirit, angel) of the planet Saturn, acting in concert with the spirit Zazel. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.]



Expulsion of Lucifer from heaven. A Caedmon paraphrase. Reproduced from J. Charles Wall, *Devils*.

Agkagdiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Agla—in the cabala, an angel of the Seal invoked in conjurations of the Reed; also, a spirit invoked in Monday conjurations addressed to Lucifer. In rites of exorcism, Agla is called on by lot, and here he is a magic word of power for the

exorcism of demons. In addition, Agla is a name of God that Joseph invoked when he was delivered from his brothers. Agla is a combination of the 1st letters of the 4 Hebrew words meaning "Thou art forever mighty, O Lord" (*atha gadol leolam Adonai*). [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Agmatia—an angel of unknown origin, mentioned in Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.

Agniël—in *The Zohar* (Tikkun suppl.), the 4th of the 10 unholy sefiroth.

Agrat bat Mahlat—an angel of prostitution, one of the 3 mates of Sammael (q.v.). The other 2 mates are Lilith and Naamah.

Agreas [Agares]

Agromiël—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim*, I, 116.]

Aha—an angel of the order of dominations; a spirit of fire used in cabalistic magical operations. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Ahabiel—in Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*, an angel invoked in love charms.

Ahadiel—an angelic enforcer of the law, as noted in Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*. [Cf. Akriel.]

Ahadiss—an angel who exercises dominion over the month of Heschwān (October–November). [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Ahaha—an angel of the Seal, used in conjuring. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Ahaij—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a spirit of the planet Mercury, summoned up in ritual magic.

Ahamniel—one of the chief angel-princes appointed by God to the Sword. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, XI.]

Ahaniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels, as listed in Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*. [Rf.

The Book of the Angel Raziel; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Ahriel—angelic ruler of the 2nd day, serving under Gabriel. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*.]

Ahassior—angelic ruler of the month of Tebet (December–January). [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Abaviel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (kamea) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Ahiah (Hiyyah)—son of the fallen angel Semyaza (q.v.). [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 340.] It should be pointed out that while angels, being pure spirits, cannot propagate their kind, fallen angels, being corrupt and demonic, are able to do so.

Ahiel ("brother of God")—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels, an assistant to the angel Qaphsiel (Kafsiel), ruler of the 7th day. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Ahjma'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Ahriman (Ariman, Aharman, Dahak, Angromainyus, etc.)—the Persian prince of evil, prototype of the Christian Satan. According to Zoroaster, who was tempted by the archfiend but came off triumphant from the encounter, it was Ahriman who brought death to the world by virtue of slaying the prototype of man and beasts. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.] Ahriman was not entirely evil until Sassanid times. The Magi once sacrificed to Ahriman. He is coeval with Ahura Mazda and equally supreme in power, but will be overcome in the end by the great Persian "omniscient lord of heaven and earth."

Ahura [Asuras]

Ahzariel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (kamea) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Aiavel—one of the 72 angels governing the signs of the zodiac. For the names of all 72 angels, see Appendix.

Aiel—an angel of the air, ruler on Lord's Day (Sunday), governor of one of the 12 zodiacal signs (Aries). He is a resident of the 4th Heaven and must be summoned from the north. He is one of the "fiery triplicities." [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Ailaoios—in gnostic lore, ruler of the 2nd gate "leading to the aeon of the archons." [See invocation to Ailaoios in the writings of Origen, reproduced in Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, 73.]

Aishim ("the flames")—according to *The Zohar*, the aishim constitute an order of angels. The term is derived from Psalms 104:4: "who maketh his angels spirits, his ministers a flaming fire." [See Is(c)him.]

Aisthesis (Thelesis, "free will")—in gnosticism, a great luminary emanated from the divine will.

Akæ ("oath")—according to M. Gaster, *Logos Ebraikos and the Book of Enoch*, the word Akæ stands for the "ineffable name of God, the knowledge of which gives man the power of acting almost like one of the superior beings." See also Kasbeel, "chief of oaths." In *Enoch* I (69:14) the angel Kasbeel "places this oath Akæ in the hand of Michael." It is through the power and secrets of this oath that "the sea was created and the earth founded upon the water."

Akat(h)riel Yah Yehod Sebaoth (Achtariel, Aktriell, Ketheriel, Yehadriel)—one of the great crown judgment princes placed over all the other angels. He is equated with the "angel of the Lord," a term frequently used in the Old Testament for the Lord Himself. Elisha ben Abuya, one of the 4 sages that visited Heaven during their lifetime, reported: "When I ascended into Paradise, I beheld Akatriel JHWH, Lord of Hosts, at the entrance, and 120 myriads of ministering angels surrounded him." Cabalistically, Akatriel is the name of the godhead as manifested on the throne of Glory. In an 8th-century apocalyptic tract dealing with Akatriel, Metatron appears once or twice in Akatriel's place. [Rf. Talmud *Berachoth* 7a; Cordovero, *Pardes Rimmonim*; Scholem,

Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition.]

Aker—one of the 9 angels who will rule or judge “at the end of the world,” according to the *Revelation of Esdras*. [Rf. *Ante-Nicene Fathers Library*, vol. 8, p. 573. For the names of the 8 angels, see *Angels at the World's End*.]

Akram(m)achamarei—in the Coptic *Pistis Sophia*, this spirit is 1st among a triad “standing high in the gnostic hierarchy of deities; master of the heavenly firmaments,” and is invoked in magical rites, as revealed in a “curse” tablet reproduced by Bonner in *Studies in Magical Amulets*. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, p. 95, believes that Akramachamarei, because of his depiction as a sun god, “could be interpreted as a representation of the angel Ariel.”

Ak(h)raziel (“herald of God”)—probably another form of Raziel or Galizur (q.v.). Akraziel is the angel of proclamation; also guard of the last gate in Heaven. He is the angel who revealed to Adam the divine mysteries. When Moses' death was sealed and the Lawgiver pleaded for longer life, God bade Akraziel announce that Moses' prayer was not to ascend to Heaven. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 419.]

Akriel—angel of barrenness. Akriel is appealed to in cases of stupidity; also when reciting verses from Deuteronomy. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Akteriel [Akathriel]—a great angel who, according to a Lurian but un-Jewish legend [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*], was summoned by Sandalphon to reveal to him how Sammael, prince of evil, and the latter's hosts could be subdued. Nothing fruitful came of the mission even though Akteriel had the benefit of the advice of Metatron (twin brother of Sandalphon), who accompanied Akteriel. In a word, the overcoming of evil, or of the prince of evil, was not something that angels, even the greatest of them, could accomplish.

Akzariel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Alaciel (fictional) [Nectaire]

Alad—a title applied to Nergal, lord of the dead. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Aladiah—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Alaliyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron (q.v.).

Alamaqanael—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim* II, 316.]

Alat—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Alazaion—“a most holy angel of God” invoked in magical rites, especially in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.]

Albim—an angelic guard of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim* II, 316.]

Albion's Angel—an angel, not otherwise named, in Blake's painting “Breach in the City—in the Morning after Battle,” which serves as frontispiece for the poet-painter's *Visions of the Daughters of Albion*. According to Hagstrum, *William Blake, Poet and Painter*, Albion's Angel is a “personification of the Tory Establishment under George III, or the Poetic Genius in an age of arid classicism and aristocratic art.” For reproduction of Albion's Angel, see *Fogg Museum Bulletin*, vol. X (November 1943). Albion is an ancient name of England.

Albrot—one of 3 holy names (of God or angels) invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Alcin—one of numerous angelic guards stationed at the gates of the West Wind, as cited in Ozar *Midrashim* II, 316.



Repose in Egypt with Dancing Angels by Vandyck. Reproduced from Anna Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna*.

Alfatha—an angel with dominion over the north. [Rf. *Gospel of Bartholomew* in James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*.] For other angels who exercise dominion over the north, see Gabriel, Chairoum.

Alimiel—one of the intelligences or chora (i.e., angels) of the first altitude. He is one of 5, the other 4 being Gabriel, Barachiel, Ledes, Helison. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; Waite, *The Almadel of Solomon*.] In *Ozar Midrashim*, Alimiel is one of the 7 guards of the curtain or veil of the 7th Heaven. He is equated with Dumahel.

Alimon—in Mosaic incantation rites, a great angel prince who, when invoked, protects the invocant from gunshot wounds and from sharp instruments. His aides are the angels Reivtip and Tafthi. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Almiras—in ceremonial magic, the “master and chief of invisibility.” An adept must usually be in possession of the magic ring of Gyges to effect contact with the master. [Rf. *The Grand Grimoire*.]

Al Moakkibat [Moakkibat]

Almon—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 4th heavenly hall.

Alphariza (Aphiriza)—an intelligence of the 2nd altitude. [Rf. Waite, *The Almadel of Solomon*.]

Alphun—the genius (i.e., angel) of doves. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Alphun figures as one of the governors of the 8th hour. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Alpiel—in Hebrew mysticism, an angel or demon who rules over fruit trees. [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*; Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Altarib—an angel who exercises dominion over winter. He may be summoned in magical rites. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Al Ussa—in pagan Arab mythology, a female angel. Her idol was destroyed on orders of Mohammed. [Rf. Jobs, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Al-Zabamiya—in the Koran (*sura* 74, 30), a term denoting angelic guards serving in Hell. There were 19 of them. [Rf. *The Encyclopaedia of Islam*, III, “Angels.”]

Amabael—an angel who, like Altarib, exercises dominion over winter. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Amabiel—angel of the air on Tuesday and a presiding spirit of the planet Mars. Amabiel is also one of the angelic luminaries “concerned with human sexuality.” [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Masters, *Eros and Evil*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Amalek—in *The Zohar* (I) a spirit identified with Samael as “the evil serpent, twin soul of the poison god.” [Cf. Deuteronomy 25:19.]

Amaliel—angel of punishment; also of weakness. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angéologie*.]

Amamael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 3rd heavenly hall.

Amarlaili (Amarlia)—an angel invoked for the curing of cutaneous diseases. [Rf. Talmud *Shabbath*, fol. 67, col. 1.]

Amarlia (Amarlail)—an angel who came out of the land of Sodom to heal painful boils, as noted in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Amaros [Armaros]

Amarzyom—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. For the names of all 15, see Appendix.

Amatiel—one of the 4 angels exercising dominion over spring. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Amatliel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 3rd heavenly hall.

Amator—in cabala, a "holy, angelic name" used in conjuring after proper investiture by the invocant. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Amazaroc [Amezyarak]

Ambassadors—a term for angels, as in "the ambassadors of peace" (Isaiah 33:7) which, in *The Zohar*, is translated "angels of peace."

Amber—the term amber, occurring in Ezekiel 1:4, is taken to mean "by the ancient Hebrews, the fire-speaking being, belonging to an angelic genus, just as cherubim, seraphim, etc., denote distinct classes of angels." [Rf. C. D. Ginsburg, *The Essenes and the Kabbalah*, p. 242; see Hashmal.]

Ambriel (Amriel)—angel of the month of May and a prince of the order of thrones. Ambriel is chief officer of the 12th hour of the night, one of the rulers of the 12 zodiacal signs with dominion over Gemini. The name Amriel is found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. In the cabala (*The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*) Ambriel is a spirit cited for conjuring purposes under the 7th seal of the planet Mars. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*; Barrett, *The Magus* II; Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Ameratat (Ameretat)—in early Persian lore, the angel of immortality. Ameratat is one of 6 or 7 celestial powers or archangels (the amesha spentas) in the Zoroastrian system. [Rf. Geiger and Kuhn,

Grundriss der iranischen Philologie III.] Some scholars see the Mohammed Marut (a Koranic fallen angel) derived from the Persian Ameratat [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*, p. 131.]

Amertati—an angel in Arabic lore; called also Mordad (q.v.). [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*, p. 131.]

Amesha Spentas ("holy, immortal ones"—amshashpands)—the Zoroastrian equivalents of the Judaeo-Christian archangels. Usually 6 in number, they exercised dominion over the planets. The amesha spentas are also said to be the Persian prototype of the cabalistic sefiroth. In their highest occult meaning the amesha spentas became (or originally were) the noumenal Sravah. As in the case of the sefiroth, which have their evil counterpart, so the amesha spentas have (or had) their opposites in the great demons or daevas, headed by Anra Mainya (Ahriman). The 6 "holy immortal ones" were: Armazd (chief); Ameretat (immortality); Ar(a)maiti (holy harmony, who was female); Asha (righteousness); Haurvatat (salvation); Kshathra Vairya (rulership); Vohumanah (good thought). There was also a 7th: S(a)raosha. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*; Blavatsky, *The Secret Doctrine* II; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*; Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.] In *The Dabistan*, p. 136, other amesha spentas are recorded, 4 of them said to have been "closest to the just God." They are: Bahman, Ardibahist, Azarkhurdad, Azargushtasp. The 6 "evil" archangels were Tauru, Zairicha, Khudad, Murdad, and two others. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

Amezyarak (Amazarec, Semyaza)—in *Enoch I* (8:2), an angel who taught conjurors and root cutters their art. He was one of 200, or one of the leaders of 200, who descended from Heaven to cohabit with the daughters of men. The Greek text of *Enoch I* reads "Semiazas" in place of Amezyarak. In R. H. Charles, *Enoch I*, the name is given as Amiziras. Eliphas Levi (*The History of Magic*) differentiates Amazarac (Amezyarak) from Semyaza in the listing of the apostate angels.

Amhiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Amicar—a most holy spirit (or another name for God) invoked in prayer at Vesting. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.] It was not unusual for many angels, including those of the highest rank, to be impressed into the service of invocants when the latter were dabbling in black magic.

Amides—an angel, like Amicar, invoked in prayer at Vesting. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Amilfatón—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Amisiel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 5th hour, operating under the rule of Sazquiel.

Amisiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Amisor—the name of a great angel invoked in Solomonic magical rites, specifically in the invocation at fumigation. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Amitiel—angel of truth, invoked as an amulet. Michael and Gabriel are credited as being such angels, along with Amitiel. In rabbinic writings, when God proposed the creation of man, the angels of truth and of peace (unnamed in the legend), as well as other angels, opposed the idea. For this opposition, the angels of truth and of peace were burned. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Amiziras [Amezyarak]

Ammiel ("people of God")—angel of the 4th hour of the day serving under Vachmiel. Ammiel is also mentioned as an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, pp. 67, 69.]

Amnixiel—one of the 28 angels that rule over the 28 mansions of the moon. Amnixiel is also mentioned as an extra in the list of the 7 Electors

of Hell (which would make him, at the very least, a fallen angel). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; Butler, *Ritual Magic*.]

Amnodiel—like Amnixiel, Amnodiel is one of the 28 angels that rule over the 28 mansions of the moon. He also figures as an extra in the list of the 7 Electors of Hell.

Amoias—in the gnostic *Paraphrase of Shem*, one of the mysterious entities to whom the secrets of Creation were revealed. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 148.]

Ampharool—an angel who was called by Solomon "king of the genii of flying." Ampharool presides over instant travel and comes to an invocant when summoned by name. [Rf. *The Book of Power*.]

Amra'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Amriel [Ambriel]

Amshashpands [Amesha Spentas]

Amtiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 3rd heavenly hall.

Amudiel—an extra in the list of the 7 Electors of Hell.

Amuhael X—an angel called on in conjuring rites. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Amulet Angels—there were 70 of these angels and they were invoked frequently at the time of childbirth. For their names, see Appendix.

Amwak'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Amy—once an angel of the order of angels and of the order of powers, Amy is now "a great president" in the lower realms. He "gives perfect knowledge of astrology and the liberal arts." He hopes (so he confided to King Solomon) to return to the 7th throne "in 1200 years," which,

says the demonologist Wierus, "is incredible." Amy's seal is figured in *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 184.

Anabiel—in the cabala, an angel who, when invoked for such purposes in magical rites, is able to cure stupidity. [Rf. Moses Botarel's works and Enoch lore.]

Anabona—In Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, the name of a spirit or angel "by which God formed man and the whole universe." It is said that Moses heard this name (Anabona) when the Ten Commandments were given him on Mt. Sinai.

Anabotas (Arabonas)—in the *Grimorium Verum*, an angel invoked in cabalistic rites.

Anachiel—the name of one of the 4 important angels found inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Saturn, according to *The Greater Key of Solomon*. The mystical circle of evocation is reproduced on p. 54 of *The Secret Lore of Magic*. In Longfellow's *The Golden Legend* (1st American ed. 1851), Anachiel is the governing angel of the planet Saturn. In later editions Longfellow substituted Orifel for Anachiel.

Anael (Haniel, Hamiel, Onoel, Ariel, etc.)—one of the 7 angels of Creation, chief of principalities [Cf. Nisroc], prince of archangels, and ruler of the Friday angels. Anael exercises dominion over the planet Venus, is one of the luminaries concerned with human sexuality, and is governor of the 2nd Heaven, where he is in charge of prayer ascending from the 1st Heaven. It is Anael who proclaims "Open all ye gates" in Isaiah 26:2. In addition, he controls kingdoms and kings on earth and has dominion over the moon. Apart from variations already noted, Anael is, or appears to be, another form for Aniyel, Anaphiel (Anafiel), Aufiel. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* II, 440.] With Uriel, Anael is combined by Shakespeare in *The Tempest* to form the sprite Ariel (see Churchill, *Shakespeare and His Betters*). In Longfellow's *The Golden Legend*, Anael is one of the angels of the 7 planets, specifically the angel of the Star of Love, (i.e., the Evening Star or

Venus). In *The Book of Tobit*, Anael is the name of Tobit's brother. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; *Grimorium Verum*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*.]

Anafiel (Anaphiel, Anpiel, "branch of God")—chief of the 8 great angels of the Merkabah; keeper of the keys of the heavenly halls; chief seal bearer, prince of water. When, according to legend, Metatron (q.v.), angel of the divine face, was to be punished, Anafiel was designated by God to flog His favorite angel with 60 lashes of fire. According to *3 Enoch*, it was Anafiel (other sources credit Rasuil or Samuil) who bore Enoch to Heaven in the first place, Enoch then being transformed into Metatron. [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.] In *Hechaloth Rabbati*, where Anafiel is compared with the Creator, he is identified as Metatron.

Anahel—a prince of angels of the 3rd Heaven, but one who serves in the 4th Heaven (according to *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*). As Anahael, he is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Anahita (Anaitis)—a female angel of the highest rank in Zoroastrianism. She is the "immaculate one, genius of fertilizing water and of the fruitfulness of the earth." [Rf. Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Anai—a name written in Heaven "in the characters of Malachim" (angels) and invoked in powerful conjurations to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Anaireton (Amereton)—one of the "high, holy angels" of God invoked in magical rites, specifically in the conjuration of Ink and Colors and the invocation or exorcism of the Salt. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*; *Grimorium Verum*.]

Anaitis [Anahita]

Anak—sing. for Anakim.

Anakim (-nim? "giants")—the offspring of fallen angels and mortal women, an issue touched on in Genesis 6. The anakim were so tall that, according to *The Zohar*, "the Hebrews were like grasshoppers in comparison." In the latter work, the angels Uzza and Azael are singled out as having begotten children "whom they called anakim." The original name of the anakim was nefilim. [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*; Deuteronomy 1:28; Joshua 14:12.] In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 151, it is related that the anakim "touched the sun with their necks." This is consonant with the view, often expressed in rabbinic and Islamic writings, that angels reached from Heaven to earth—just as Adam did when he was first formed, and as Israfil did, or does. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Anamelech [Adramelech]

Anachel (or Ananel—"grace of God")—an angel sent by God to Esther to give her favor in the sight of the Persian king Ahasuerus [Rf. Old Testament, Esther.] Origen speaks of Anachel in his "On Romans" (IV, 12). [Rf. *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*, p. 73.]

Anane—one of the troop of fallen angels, as listed in *Enoch I*.

Ananel [Anachel]

Ananel (Anani, Hananel, Khananel)—regarded as both good and evil. As an evil angel (one of the fallen archangels), Ananel is said to have descended from Heaven on Mt. Hermon and to have brought sin to mankind. [Rf. *Enoch I*; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Anani [Ananel]

Ananiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Anaphaxeton (Anaphazeton, Arpheton, Hipe-ton, Oneipheton)—one of the holy angels of God invoked in magical rites. Anaphaxeton is the name which, when pronounced, will cause the angels to summon the whole universe before the bar of

justice on Judgment Day. He is also a spirit to be invoked in the exorcism of the Water. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.]

Anaphiel [Anafiel]

Anapion—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion.

Anas—"and God sent two angels, Sihail and Anas, and the four Evangelists to take hold of the fever-demons [12 of them, all female] and beat them with fiery rods." The source of the tale is a 12th-century MS in the British Museum and the tale is retold by M. Gaster in *Studies and Texts in Folklore* II, p. 1030. Gaster believes that Sihail is merely another form for Mihail (Michael) and Anas a form for St. Anne, mother of Mary, here turned into an angel.

Anataniel A'—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, one of the angel princes of the hosts of X.

Anael—an angel who protects commerce, bankers, commission brokers, etc. Anael's corresponding angel is Aseij. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Anayz—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, an angel of Monday said to reside in the 1st Heaven. He is invoked from the south. Since angels are bodiless, their "residence" in any heaven, or in any place, is hypothetical. Angels are resident wherever they happen to be operating; it is only for convenience that they are given a *locus operandi*. All material descriptions of angels, (wings, size, speech, physical actions) are likewise to be taken figuratively.

Anazachia—an angel's name inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Saturn. Anazachia is one of 4 angels shown on the pentacle, the other 3 being Omeliei, Anachiel, and Aranchia. The magical circle of evocation is reproduced in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 54. [Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Anazimur—one of the 7 exalted throne angels of the 1st Heaven "which execute the commands



of the potestates," according to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. [Rf. de Abano, *Elementia Magica*; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*; writings of Cornelius Agrippa.]

Ancient of Days—in the cabala, a term applied to Kether, 1st of the sefiroth (*q.v.*); also to Macroprosopus ("vast countenance") who is, in the cabala, "God as He is in Himself." Ancient of Days is, further, used as a term to denote the "holy ones of the highest," i.e., the most exalted and venerable of the angels. In Daniel 7:9, the expression is the prophet's title and vision of God: "I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of Days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool; his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire." Dionysius in *The Divine Names* defines the term Ancient of Days as "both the Eternity and the Time of all things prior to days and eternity and time." The term has also been used to apply to Israel. William Blake refers to the Ancients of Days as Urizen, the figure of Jehovah in this poet's mystical poems. It is the title of one of his famous drawings; see also Blake's "Elohim [God] Giving Life to Adam." Hymn 519 of the *Hymnal* of the Protestant Episcopal Church [Thos. Nelson, 1920] opens with "Ancient of Days, who sittest throned in glory; To thee all knees are bent."

Ancor—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. Ancor is likewise a name for God in prayers at Vestment. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Andas—in occult writings, Andas is represented as one of the ministering angels to Varcan, a king who rules the angels of the air on Lord's Day (Sunday). In de Abano, *The Heptameron*, the magic circle for the incantation of angels for the 1st planetary hour of Sunday shows Andas at the outer perimeter.

Aneb—an angel ruler of an hour with the attribute "Dicu Clement." [Rf. Ambelain, *La*

Kabbale Pratique; and the poem "Sagesse" by H.D. (Hilda Doolittle).]

Anepaton (Anapheneton)—"a high, holy angel of God," whose name appears in an invocation ring. Anepaton is also a name for God when conjured up by Aaron. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*; *Grimorium Verum*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*; *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.]

Anereton (Anaireton)—"a high, holy angel of God" invoked in Solomonic rites. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; *Grimorium Verum*.]

Anfial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. Pirke Hechaloth.]

Anfiel (Anafiel, "branch of God")—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, a guard of the 4th Heaven. See also Margouliath, *Malache Elyon* and *Bereshith Rabbah*. According to the *Jewish Encyclopedia* (p. 595), Anfiel's crown "branches out to cover the Heaven with the divine majesty." Here he is head and chief of the porters and seal-bearers of the 7 Heavens.

Angel (Hebrew, "malakh")—the word derives from *angiras* (Sanskrit), a divine spirit; from the Persian *angaros*, a courier; from the Greek *angelos*, meaning a messenger. In Arabic the word is *malak* (a Jewish loan word.) In popular usage an angel denotes, generally, a supernatural being intermediate between God and man (the Greek "daimon" being a closer approximation to our notion of angel than *angelos*). In early Christian and pre-Christian days, the term angel and daimon (or demon) were interchangeable, as in the writings of Paul and John. The Hebrews drew their idea of angels from the Persians and from the Babylonians during the Captivity. The 2 named angels in the Old Testament, Michael and Gabriel, were in fact lifted from Babylonian mythology. The 3rd named angel, Raphael, appears in the apocryphal *Book of Tobit*. "This whole doctrine concerning angels" (says Sales in his edition of *The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse," p. 51) "Mohammed and his disciples borrowed from the Jews, who borrowed the names and offices of these beings from the Persians." While Enoch, in his writings dating back to earliest Christian times

and even before, names many angels (and demons), these were ignored in New Testament gospels, although they began to appear in contemporaneous extracanonical works. They had a vogue in Jewish gnostic, mystic, and cabalistic tracts. Angelology came into full flower in the 11th–13th centuries when the names of literally thousands upon thousands of angels appeared, many of them created through the juggling of letters of the Hebrew alphabet, or by the simple device of adding the suffix “el” to any word which lent itself to such manipulation. An angel, though immaterial, that is, bodiless, is usually depicted as having a body or inhabiting a body, *pro tem*, and as winged and clothed. If an angel is in the service of the devil, he is a fallen angel or a demon. To Philo, in his “On Dreams,” angels were incorporeal intelligences. He held that the rabbis, on the contrary, thought of angels as material beings. In Roman Catholic theology, angels were created in the earliest days of Creation, or even before Creation, *tota simul*, that is, at one and the same time. In Jewish tradition, angels are “new every morning” (Lamentations 3:23) and continue to be formed with every breath God takes (*Hagiga* 14a). In the pseudo-Dionysian scheme with its 9 heavenly choirs, angels as an order rank lowest in the scale of hierarchy, the seraphim ranking highest. The archangels show up 8th in the sequence, despite the fact that the greatest angels are often referred to as archangels. Strictly speaking, when one refers to the named angels in the Bible, it is correct to say there are only 2 or 3. But the following may be considered: Abaddon/Apollyon, mentioned in Revelation as the “angel of the bottomless pit.” Wormwood, referred to as a star (Revelation 8:11), but to be understood as an angel. And there is Satan, who in the Old Testament is a great angel, one of the most glorious, certainly not evil and with no hint of his having fallen. He goes by his title of adversary (*ha-satan*). It is only in Christian and post-Biblical Jewish writings that *ha-satan* of the Old Testament is turned into an evil spirit. A case for including Rahab among the named angels of the Bible might also be made: Talmud refers to Rahab as “the angel of the sea.”

“**Angel in the Forest**”—the title of Marguerite Young’s chronicle of the Rappites, a German religious sect that established a short-lived community on the Wabash River during the years 1815–1824. The title derives from the angel (Gabriel) whom Father Rapp, cult leader, claimed he saw in the forest—an angel “with the good taste to leave footprints behind”—for these footprints can be seen, to this day, on a stone slab in New Harmony, Indiana.

Angel of Abortion [Kasdaye]

Angel of the Abyss—usually identified as Uriel, the “angel set over the world and Tartarus.” [Cf. Apsu, female angel of the abyss in Babylonian-Chaldean mythology; Rf. Charles, *Critical Commentary of the Revelation of St. John*, p. 239].

Angel of Adversity—in works like *The Zadokite Fragments* and *The Book of Jubilees*, the angel of adversity is Mastema, prince of evil, equated with Satan.

Angel of Agriculture [Risnuch]

Angel of the Air [Chasan, Casmaron, Cherub, Iahmel]

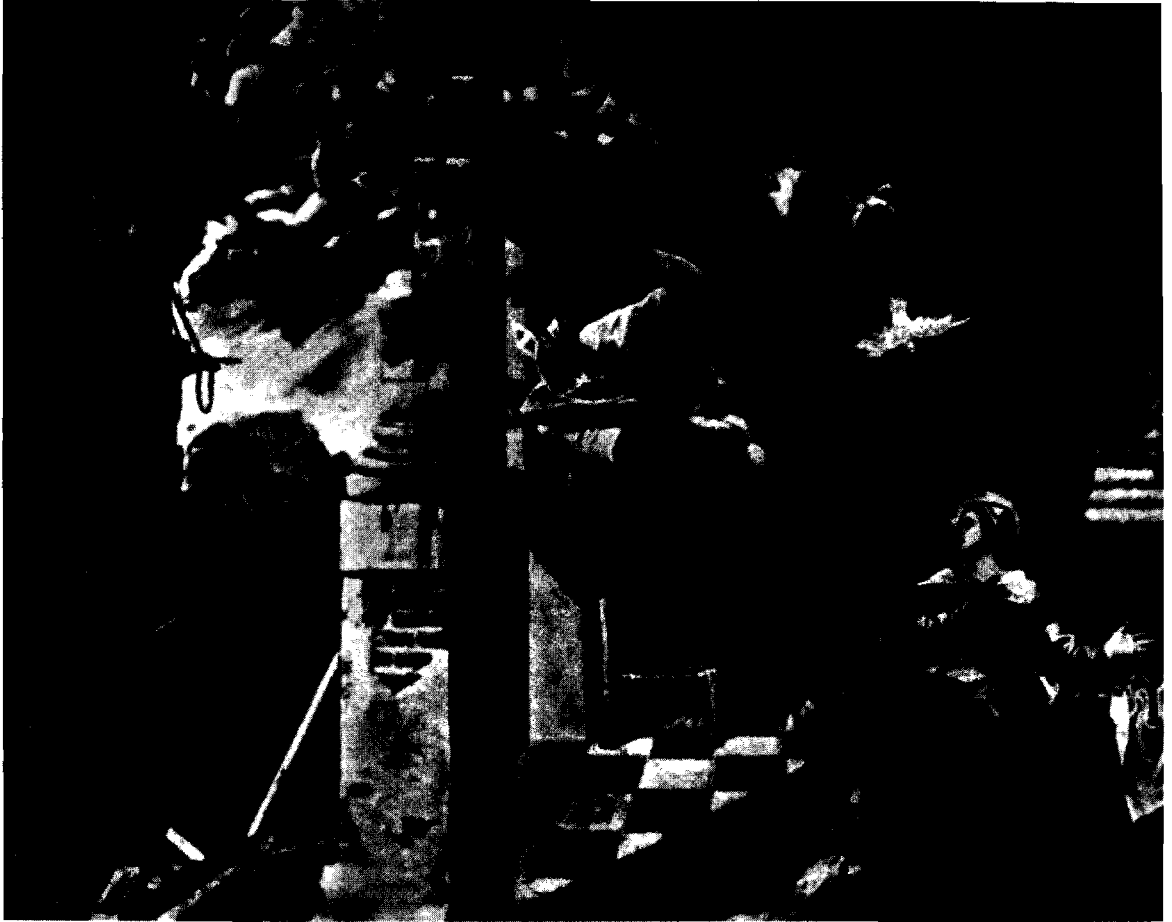
Angel of Albion—an angel “created” by Blake as a character in his “Visions of the Daughters of Albion.”

Angel of Alchemy and Mineralogy—Och (*q.v.*).

Angels of the Altitudes—among the principal rulers of the 4 altitudes or chora are Barachiel, Gabriel, Gediel. [Rf. *The Almadel of Solomon*.] For the names of other rulers of this class of celestial hierarchs, see Appendix.

Angel of Anger—in his visit to Paradise, as reported in the apocalyptic *Revelation of Moses*, the great Lawgiver encounters the angels of anger and wrath in the 7th Heaven. He finds these angels composed “wholly of fire.” Our angel of anger is Af (*q.v.*).

Angel of Annihilation—in the story relating to Esther and Ahaseurus, the angel of annihilation is Harbonah or Hasmed. [Rf. *Midrash Tehillim* on



Annunciation by Tintoretto in Scuola San Rocco, Venice. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Psalm 7.] Both Harbonah and Hasmed are angels of punishment or of confusion.

Angel of Announcements—in ancient Persian lore, the angel of announcements is Sirushi, who ranks also as the angel of Paradise.

Angel of Annunciation—Gabriel. The Angel of Annunciation is the subject of innumerable paintings by the great masters: da Vinci, Memling, Fra Filippo Lippi, Fra Angelico, El Greco, Titian, etc. In the annunciation to Mary, as related in Matthew, the name of Gabriel does not occur; it occurs in the account by Luke (both with regard to Elizabeth and Mary).

Angel of the Apocalypse—Orifiel; also Anael (Haniel, Anafiel), Zachariel, Raphael, Samael, Michael, Gabriel, and St. Francis of Assisi. According to Cornelius Agrippa, each angel is credited with a reign of 354 years. The title "Angel of the Apocalypse" was claimed by St. Vincent Ferrer (1350–1419). [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.] Malvina Hoffman, American sculptress, did a figure in gold bronze titled the "Archangel of the Apocalypse."

Angel of April—Asmodel. In ancient Persian lore, the angel was Andibehist.

Angel of Aquarius—in works of ceremonial

magic, the angel of Aquarius is Ausiel (Ausiul). Rabbi Chomer in Levi's book of magic cites the 2 governing spirits of Aquarius as Archer and Ssakmakiel (Tzakmaqiel).

Angel of Aquatic Animals [Manakel]

Angel of Aries—in ceremonial magic, the angel of Aries (the Ram) is Aiel or Machidiel, the latter being also the angel of March. In the cabala, the 2 spirits governing the sign of Aries are Sataaran and Sarahiel (Sariel).

Angel of the Ark of the Covenant—the 2 angels of the ark of the covenant are usually Zarall and Jael, both belonging to the order of cherubim. Another angel, Sandalphon, has been described as "the left-hand cherub of the Ark." Some authorities, interpreting Exodus 25, maintain that 4 angels should be represented on the ark, 2 on each side. See picturization in Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*, p. 67.

Angel of Ascension—in the Acts of the Apostles (1:10) the angels of ascension are spoken of as "two men [which] stood by in white apparel." Chrysostom, Eusebius, Cyril of Jerusalem speak of angels present at the Ascension. [Rf. Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*.] In noncanonical writings there are frequent references to the angels of ascension as 2 in number, but nowhere are they named. In the "Ascension," a canvas by Mantegna (1431-1506), Christ is shown fully robed, rising to Heaven with 11 child-angels surrounding him in the ascent.

Angel of Aspirations and Dreams—according to Jewish cabala, the moon is the angel of aspirations and dreams; in occult lore, it is Gabriel. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Angel of Augsburg, The—a name given to Agnes Bernauer, the lovely but low-born wife of Duke Albrecht of Würtemberg. She was drowned as a witch in 1435, at the instigation of Albrecht's father, Duke Ernest of Bavaria. The drowning is the subject of a woodcut reproduced in Paul Carus, *The History of the Devil*.

Angel of August—in Trithemius, *The Book of Secret Things*, the angel of August is Hamaliel;

he is said to have dominion over the sign of Virgo in the zodiac. Occult lore cites another angel of August, or August-September (in Hebrew, the season is *Elul*)—i.e., Morael, who is also the angel of awe or fear. In ancient Persian lore, the angel of August was Shahrivari.

Angel of Autumn—Guabarel; Tarquam. The head of the sign of August is Torquaret. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Angel of Babylon—in *Midrash Tehillim* we learn that "the angel of Babylon mounted 70 rounds [of the ladder of Jacob] and the angel of Media 52." Neither the name of the angel of Babylon nor that of Media is given.

Angel of the Balances [Soqed Hozi, Dokiell, Michael, Zehanpuryu'h]

Angel of the Baptismal Water—Raphael. But see also Barpharanges. It was Tertullian who declared that the baptismal water receives its healing properties from an angel (whom, however, he did not name). [Rf. Smith, *Man and his Gods*, p. 306.]

Angel of Barrenness [Akriel]

Angel Over (Tame) Beasts [Behemiell, Hariell]

Angel Over (Wild) Beasts [Thegri (Thuriel), Mtniel, Jehiel, Hayyal]. [Rf. *Hermes Visions*; *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 595.]

Angel of Benevolence [Zadkiel, Hasdiel, Achsah]

Angel Over Birds [Arael, Anpiel]

Angel of the Bottomless Pit—same as angel of the abyss, i.e., Abaddon (which is the Hebrew form for the Greek Apollyon), as in Revelation 20. Known in post-Biblical lore as the "destroyer" and "king of the demonic locusts" or "grasshoppers." In Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*, this angel is a devil, *the devil*. St. John regards the angel of the bottomless pit as apparently not evil, since it is the angel that binds Satan for 1,000 years (Revelation 20:2). As Langton makes clear in his *Satan, a Portrait* (p. 39) the angel of the abyss (i.e., the angel of the bottomless pit) "is not [in Revelation]

identified with Satan." Dürer in his Apocalypse series (1498) executed a woodcut titled "Angel with the Key of the Bottomless Pit."

Angel of the Burning Bush—Zagzagel; Michael. A strict interpretation of the use of the term (in Exodus 3:2; Luke 20:37; Acts 7:35) would suggest that it is the Lord Himself who is the angel of the burning bush, made manifest in angelic guise. The ascription to Zagzagel is found in *Targum Yerushalmi*. Rembrandt did a well-known painting of the subject titled "Moses and the Burning Bush."

Angel of Calculations [Butator]

Angel of (the sign of) Cancer—Cael. According to Rabbi Chomer, an exegetical authority quoted by Levi in *Transcendental Magic*, the governing spirits of the sign of Cancer are Rahdar and Phakiel.

Angel of Capricorn—in ceremonial magic, the angel of Capricorn is Casujoiah. According to Rabbi Chomer, quoted by Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, the governing spirits of this zodiacal sign are Sagdalon and Semakiel (Semaqiel).

Angel of Carnal Desires [Angel of Lust]

Angel of Chance (in the sense of gambling)—Barakiel, Uriel, and Rubiel. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Angel of Chaos—Michael. Where chaos is equated with darkness, and darkness with death, then the angel of chaos is Satan. [Rf. *The Interpreter's Bible*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 16.]

Angel of the Chaste Hands [Ouestucati]

Angel of Chastisement—Amaliel. In addition, one comes upon other angels of chastisement or punishment in apocryphal and post-Biblical writings. Compare "the mail-clad lords with the flaming eyes," . . . "his eyes are as lamps of fire," in Daniel 10:6, as descriptive of one of these hierarchs. In Coptic lore, the demon of chastisement is Asmodel—who, however, in occult lore, is an angel, the angel of the month of April.

Angels (Order of)—in the pseudo-Dionysian scheme of the celestial hierarchy, the order of angels occurs last of the 9. The ruling princes of the order are usually given as Phaleg and Adnachiel (Advachiel).

Angels of Clouds—in *The Book of Jubilees* there is mention of the angels of clouds who, it is reported, were created on the 1st day of Creation. They are not named.

Angels of Cold—likewise mentioned but not named in *The Book of Jubilees*. The angels of cold are also referred to in the *Revelation of John*, a New Testament apocryphon included in the Ante-Nicene Fathers Library.

Angels of the Colonies—creation of Blake as characters in his "Visions of the Daughters of Albion."

Angel of Comets (or Meteors)—Zikiel or Ziquiel; also Akhibel.

Angel of Commission Brokers—Anauel, who also protects commerce, bankers, etc.

Angel of Commotion—Zi'iel, as noted in Odeberg, *3 Enoch*.

Angel of Compassion—Rachmiel or Raphael (qq.v.). The angel of compassion, symbolizing the United Nations, is interpreted in a painting by the Swiss artist Max Hunziker and done by him for the benefit of UNICEF. The Nepalese have a god of compassion called Avalokiteshvara, who renounced Nirvana in order to serve and save mankind. An image of this deity was displayed at the Asia Society headquarters in New York in 1964.

Angel of Conception [Laila(h)]

Angels of Confusion—there are 7 of these angels of confusion. They were dispatched by God to the court of Ahasuerus to put an end to this king's pleasure in the time of Queen Esther. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 374.] It seems likely that the angels of confusion were also present and participated in the Tower of Babel incident. [Rf. Genesis 11:7.] The individual angels of confusion are described in Talmud as follows:

Mehuman—confusion; Biztha—destroyer of the house; Barbonah—annihilation; Bigtha—presser of the winepress; Abatha—another presser of the winepress; Zethar—observer of immorality; and Carcas—the knocker.

Angel of Constellations—Kakabel (Kochbiel) and Rahtiel (qq.v.). [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Angels of Corruption (or Perdition)—originally, according to Talmudic lore, there were 70 tutelary angels assigned by God to rule over the 70 nations of the earth. These angels, corrupted through national bias, became the *malache habbala* (angels of corruption). The sole angel of this group who remained uncorrupted was the tutelary or guardian angel of Israel, Michael. [Rf. Eisenmenger, *Traditions of the Jews* I, 18; Lea, *Materials Toward A History of Witchcraft* I, 17; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]

Angel of the Covenant—a title applied to Metatron, Phadiel, Michael, Elijah, the “angel of the Lord,” and even to Mastema. According to *The Zohar* I, it is the angel of the covenant who is meant in such verses as Exodus 4:26, 24:1; Leviticus 1:1. In the *Vision of Paul* 14, Michael is called the “Angel of the Covenant.” But Régamey

in *What Is An Angel?*, citing Malachi 3:1, says “the Angel of the Covenant must be the Lord himself.” The hasidic Rabbi Elimelekh of Lizhensk (d. 1786) refers to Elijah as the “Angel of the Covenant.” [Rf. Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim; The Early Masters*, p. 257.]

Angels of Creation—there were 7 of these angels in the beginning (i.e., at the time of Creation) and they were placed in control of the 7 planets—the 7 including the sun and moon, according to the astronomical knowledge of the time of the scribes, who set down the events of the “first days.” The 7 angels of creation usually given are Orifiel, Anael, Zachariel, Samael (before this angel rebelled and fell), Raphael, Gabriel, and Michael. *The Book of Enoch* reports that the angels of Creation reside in the 6th Heaven.

Angel of Darkness—also called prince of darkness and angel of death (Belial, Bernael, Haziël, Beliar, Satan, etc.). “All who practice perversity are under the domination of the angel of darkness.” [Rf. *Manual of Discipline* in T. Gaster, *The Dead Sea Scriptures*, pp. 43–44.] “All men’s afflictions and all of their moments of tribulation are due to this being’s malevolent sway.” According to Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, quoting “the later rabbis,” the angel of darkness is Kochbiel. In

Angels of the Ascension. A miniature from *The Bible of St. Paul*. Reproduced from *Lost Books of the Bible*.



Chaldean lore, and in Kramer, *From the Tablets of Sumer*, the angel is An. In Mandaeen lore there were 5 primal beings of darkness: Akrun (Krun), Ashdum (Shdum), Gaf, Hagh, Zasgi-Zargana. [Rf. Mansoor, *The Thanksgiving Hymns*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V; *The Book of Jubilees*; Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*, p. 251.]

Angel of Dawn—in gnosticism, applied to the dragon which, in Revelation, is a term for Satan or Lucifer. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Angel of the Day (Angel of Daylight)—Shamshiel, as in 3 Enoch. [Rf. *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 375; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 314.]

Angel of Death—in rabbinic writings there are at least a dozen angels of death: Adriel, Apollyon-Abaddon, Azrael, Gabriel (as guardian of Hades), Hemah, Kafziel, Kezef, Leviathan, Malach ha-Mavet, Mashhit, Metatron, Sammael (Satan), Yehudiah (Yehudiam), Yetzer-hara. In Falasha lore the angel of death is Suriel. In Christian theology, Michael is the angel of death who "leads souls into the eternal light" at the yielding up of the ghost of all good Christians. The Arabic angel of death is Azrael. He is also Iblis, as in the Arabian Nights tale, "The Angel of Death with the Proud King." The Babylonian god of death is Mot. According to Schönblum, *Pirke Rabbenu ha-Kadosh*, there are 6 angels of death: Gabriel (over the lives of young people), Kafziel (over kings), Meshabber (over animals), Mashhit (over children), Af (over men), Hemah (over domestic animals). The angel of death is not necessarily an evil or a fallen angel. He remains at all times a legate of God and in God's service. [Rf. Talmud *Baba Metzia*, 86a.] In Zoroastrianism, the angel of death or the demon of death is Mairya (male or female), who offered Zoroaster the empire of the world [Cf. Satan tempting Jesus; see also Saltus, *Lords of the Ghostland*, chap. on Ormuzd]. In the *Apocalypse of Baruch* there is an angel of death, unnamed, who makes his first appearance in that work. [Rf. Smith, *Man and his Gods*.] In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 200, we read of Elijah

fighting and overcoming the angel of death. There is also a legend about Aaron seizing the angel of death and locking him in the Tabernacle "so that death ceased." The seizure must have been short-lived. (The Aaron legend may have inspired the popular Broadway play, *Death Takes a Holiday*.) This angel of death was most likely Kezef, as suggested in *Targum Yerushalmi*. The great whale or crocodile of Biblical lore, Leviathan (along with Rahab), is also identified as an angel of death, according to various rabbinic sources. In Talmud *Abodah Zarah*, 20, the angel of death, Sammael, is described as "altogether full of eyes; at the time of a sick man's departure he [the angel] takes his stand above the place of his [the sick man's] head, with his sword drawn and a drop of poison suspended on it." To Eisenmenger (*Traditions of the Jews*) the supreme angel of death is Metatron, whose subordinates are Gabriel and Sammael. In his *Book of Beliefs and Opinions*, Saadiah Gaon (10th century) says that "our teachers have informed us that the angel sent by God to separate body from soul appears to man in the form of a yellowish flame, full of eyes shining with a bluish fire, holding in his hand a drawn sword pointed at the person to whom death is coming." Saadiah then goes on to suggest a parallel or affinity with the "angel of the Lord" in I Chronicles 21:16 who stands "between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched over Jerusalem." The angel who would qualify here, not so much in the description of him as in relation to his office, is the benevolent angel of death, Azrael (q.v.). Over 6 persons the angel of death has no power (says Talmud *Baba Bathra*, fol. 17), to wit: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. With regard to Jacob, it is said that "not the angel of death ended his life, but the Shekinah took his soul with a kiss"; and that Miriam also "breathed her last in this manner." A rabbi (ben Levi) outwitting the angel of death is the subject of Longfellow's poem "The Spanish Jew's Tale."

Angel of December—Haniel or Nadiel. In ancient Persian lore, the angel of December was Dai (q.v.).

Angel of the Deep—Tamiel, Rampel; also

Rahab. [See Angel of the Sea.] [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V.]

Angel of Deliverance—in Zoharistic writings, the angel of deliverance is Pedael. [Rf. Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*, p. 117.]

Angel of the Deserts—one of the unnamed “splendid, terrible and mighty angel chiefs who passed before God to extol and rejoice in the first Sabbath.” [Rf. *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba* and numerous Talmudic commentaries listed in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]

Angel of Destiny [Oriël or Manu]

Angels of Destruction (“malache habbalah”)—Uriel, Harbonah, Azriel, Simkiel, Za’afiel, Af, Kolazonta, Hemah. Chief of the group is Kemuel, according to the *Revelation of Moses*, but, according to *3 Enoch*, the chief is Simkiel. In the latter book, the angels of destruction correspond to the angels of punishment, and these in turn may be equated with the angels of vengeance, wrath, death, ire. They may also be compared to the Avestan devas. “When executing the punishments on the world, the angels of destruction are given the ‘Sword of God’ to be used by them as an instrument of punishment.” [Rf. *3 Enoch*, 32:1.] According to Moses Gaster, there were 40,000 such angels but, according to a Jewish legend, there were (or still are) in Hell alone 90,000 angels of destruction. It is said that the angels of destruction helped the magicians of Egypt in Pharaoh’s time; that they duplicated the miracles performed by Moses and Aaron, specifically the miracle of changing water into blood. [Rf. Exodus 7:20.] There is a division of opinion among rabbinic writers as to whether the angels of destruction are in the service of God or of the devil. Apparently, even when they serve the devil, it is with the permission of God. In *The Zohar* I, 63a, Rabbi Judah, discoursing on the Deluge, declared that “no doom is ever executed on the world, whether of annihilation or any other chastisement, but the destroying angel is in the midst of the visitation.” In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, it is related that when Moses visited Hell, he beheld in a region

called Titha-Yawen sinners (mainly usurers) standing “up to their navel in mud” lashed by the angels of destruction “with fiery chains, the sinners’ teeth being broken with fiery stones from morning until evening.” Cf. Dante’s description of the tortures suffered by sinners in the *Inferno*. [Rf. *The Apocalypse of Baruch*; *The Book of Enoch*; Talmud *Bab-Sanhedrin*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*; *Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 516.]

Angel of the Disk of the Sun—Chur, in ancient Persian lore. Cf. Galgaliel, angel of the wheel of the sun (q.v.).

Angel of Divination [Eistibus]

Angel of the Divine Chariot [Rikbiel YHWH]

Angel of the Divine Presence (Angel of the Face)—Blake subtitled his engraving “The Laocoön,” “The Angel of the Divine Presence.”

Angel of Dominions (dominations)—Zacharai, who is usually designated prince of this hierarchic order. Dionysius, in his famous work on the celestial orders, placed the dominions or dominations first in the 2nd triad of the 9 choirs.

Angel of Doves [Alphun]

Angels (or Lords) of Dread—according to *3 Enoch*, 22, they work in unison with the Captains of Fear in surrounding the throne of Glory and “singing praise and hymns before YHWH, the God of Israel.” They aggregate “thousand times thousand and ten thousand times ten thousand.”

Angel of Dreams—Duma(h) and Gabriel. In the cabala, according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, the angel of dreams is the Moon, or Gabriel. *The Zohar* II, 183a, refers to Gabriel as the “supervisor of dreams.”

Angel of the Dust [Suphlatus]

Angels of the Earth—traditionally there are 7 angels of the earth: Azriel, Admael, Arkiel (Archas), Arciciah, Ariel, Harabael or Aragael, Saragael, Yabbashael. Variants include Haldiel, Tebliel, Phorlakh, Raguel, and Samuil. The 4 angels of the earth listed in Heywood, *The*

Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels, are actually angels of the 4 winds: Uriel (south), Michael (east), Raphael (west), Gabriel (north). In ancient Persian lore, the spirit of the earth was Isphan Darmaz. [Rf. *Enoch II*; *Pesikta R. Kahana* 155a.]

Angel of Earthquakes [Sui'el; Rashiel]

Angels of the East (or of the Rising Sun)—Michael, Gauriil, Ishliha, Gazardiel.

Angel of Edom—the name Edom was a designation for Rome, but the angel of Edom designated Satan. "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High," the angel of Edom boasted. And God replied: "Though thou mount on high as the eagle, and though thy nest be set among the stars, I will bring thee down from thence." The angel of Edom was one of the angels on the ladder that Jacob saw in his dream, set between earth and Heaven. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, V.]

Angel of Egypt—Mastema, Rahab, Duma(h), Uzza, and Sammael. On their way out of Egypt the Israelites were affrighted most "at the sight of the Angel of Egypt darting through the air as he flew to the assistance of the people under his tutelage." The identity of the angel is not given in the source quoted (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 13). Some rabbinic texts say the angel was Abezi-thibod; others that it was, or might have been, Sammael, Mastema (in *The Book of Jubilees*), or Uzza. Another good guess would be Rahab (*q.v.*).

Angel of the Embryo [Sandalphon]

Angel of Esau—Sammael, with whom Jacob wrestled at Peniel.

Angel of Evil—Satan, Malach Ra, Mastema, Bernael, Beliar (Beliel), Ahriman (Persian), etc.

Angel of Evil Deeds—a holy angel in the service of God. He is pictured (but not named) as a Recording Angel in Longfellow, *The Golden Legend*.

Angels of the Face (or Angels of the Presence)—among the most frequently mentioned angels of the face in rabbinic lore are Metatron, Michael,

Jehoel, Suriel, Yefehfiah, Zagzagael, Uriel. There were about 12 of them and they were also spoken of as the angels of sanctification or the angels of glory—all of them circumcised at Creation. [See *Angels of the Presence*.]

Angel of Fall (autumn)—Torquaret. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*, p. 43.]

Angel of Fascination [Tablibik]

Angel of Fasts—Sangariah, as cited in *The Zohar* (Exodus 207a).

Angel of Fate [Manu]

Angel of Fear (Yrouel; Morael)—these are amulet angels (*q.v.*).

Angel of February (Barchiel; Barbiel)—for angels governing other months of the year, see Appendix. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* IV.] In ancient Persian lore, the angel of February was Isfandarmend (*q.v.*).

Angel of Fertility—in Mandaean lore, the angel of fertility is Samandiriel or Yus(h)amin. In Talmud *Pesikta Rabbati* 43:8, it is stated that "Abraham gave heed to the Angel of Fertility when the great Lawgiver, then in his 100th year, was told by God to visit Sara in her tent." Abraham heeded God's counsel. Sara was 90 at the time and barren; but, through perhaps the overshadowing of Samandiriel or Yus(h)amin, she conceived and gave birth to Isaac. Another heavenly spirit present at the union of the aged couple was the Shekinah (*q.v.*).

Angel of the Fiery Furnace—the angel of the Lord (not named) seen walking in the midst of the unconsuming fire with Sidrach, Misach, and Abednego, the 3 Judaeen princes captive in Babylon who had refused to obey Nebuchadnezzar's command to worship a golden image. The angel miraculously delivered the 3 princes from death. He was later described by the Babylonian king as having a form like that of "the Son of God." [Rf. Daniel 3.]

Angel of the Fifth Heaven—the presiding spirit of the 5th Heaven is Michael—that is, if the 5th Heaven is Machum; but if the 5th Heaven is

Mathey, then the presiding spirit is Sammael. Assisting angels ruling the 5th Heaven include Friagne, Hyniel, Ofael, Zaliel. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.] In Mohammedan lore, the 5th Heaven is the abode of the Avenging Angel "who presides over elemental fire."

Angel of Fire—Nathaniel (Nathanel), Arel, Atuniel, Jehoel, Ardarel, Gabriel, Seraph; also Uriel, "angel of the fire of the sun." Revelation 14:18 speaks of the angel of the heavenly altar "who has authority over fire." Cf. Agni, the Vedic god of fire and mediator (angel) between gods and men. The Zoroastrian genius of fire is Atar (q.v.). In the *Fourth Book of Maccabees* there is mention of an angel of fire whom Aaron overcomes; he is to be compared with the destroying spirit in Reider, *The Book of Wisdom* 18:22. When the Baal-worshipping Jair succeeded Abimelech to the throne in Israel and ordered the 7 men faithful to God to be consigned to the flames, Nathanel, "lord over fire," extinguished the flames and enabled the 7 to escape. Nathanel then burnt Jair along with 1,000 of his men. For the legend, see *Pseudo-Philo* 39; also *The Chronicles of Yerahmeel* 48:175. The Prokofieff opera *L'Ange de Feu*, composed between 1920 and 1926, is based on a novel by the Russian poet Valerie Brusoff. It was published in 1903. The chief character is Madiel, angel of fire, who returns to the heroine (a 16th-century visionary) in the form of a German knight. A concert performance of the opera was given in Venice in 1955; an American premiere occurred in New York at the City Center in September 1965. According to Kircher, *Ecstatic Voyage* (to the planets), the sun—so he reported—"is peopled with angels of fire swimming in seas of light around a volcano from which pour myriads of meteors." One of Marc Chagall's celebrated oils is his apocalyptic Angel of Fire or Flaming Angel (the canvas is titled "Descent of the Red Angel") that plunges from Heaven on a peaceful and unsuspecting world, and shatters it.

Angel of the Firmament—Hlm Hml.

Angel of the First Heaven—Sabrael, Asrulyu, Pazriel (Sidriel), Gabriel, etc.

Angel over Fish—Gagiel, Arariel, Azareel.

Angel of Flame—El Auria, a name equated with Ouriel (Uriel). [See Angel of Fire.]

Angel of the Flaming Sword [Angel of the Garden of Eden]

Angel of Food—Manna; the angel of nourishment is Isda.

Angel of the Footstool—in Arabic lore, the angel of the footstool (Kursi) offers arrivals to the 7th Heaven a pillar of light to support them when standing before the divine judge for interrogation. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*, 181; Nicholson, "An Early Arabic Version," etc.]

Angel of Force—Afriel, equated with Raphael.

Angel of Forests [Zuphlas]

Angel of Forgetting or Forgetfulness (or Oblivion)—usually Poteh or Purah (q.v.).

Angel of Fornication [Angel of Lust]

Angels of the Four Cardinal Points (or Regents of the Earth)—in Blavatsky, *The Secret Doctrine*, the "winged globe and fiery wheels," recalling Ezekiel's description of the 4 living creatures (Ezekiel I) glimpsed at the River Chebar. In Hindu lore, the 4 regents are the Chatur Maharajas, and are named Dhritar-ashtara, Virudhaka, Virupaksha, and Vaishravana. [Rf. Leadbeater, *The Astral Plane*.]

Angels of the Four Elements—over fire, Seraph or Nathaniel; over air, Cherub; over water, Tharsis or Tharsus; over earth, Ariel.

Angels of the Four Winds—Uriel, over the south; Michael, over the east; Raphael, over the west (serving also as governor of the south, with Uriel); Gabriel, over the north. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, p. 214.] Revelation 7 speaks of "four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding fast the four winds of the earth"—derived, supposedly, from *The Book of Enoch* (*Enoch I*). *The Book of the Angel Raziel* gives Usiel (Uzziel) as one of the 4 angels of the 4 winds.

Angels of the Fourth Heaven—Michael; Shamshiel; Shahakiel.

Angel over (Wild) Fowl—Trgiaob. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Angel over Free Will [Tabris]

Angels over Friday—Anael (Haniel, Anafiel); Rachiel; Sachiël.

Angel of Friendship—in ancient Persian lore, the angel of friendship was Mihr (*q.v.*). He was also the angel of love and ruled the 7th month. [Rf. Chateaubriand, *Genius of Christianity*.]

Angel over Fruit (or Fruit Trees)—Sofiel; Alpiel; Serakel; Ilaniel; Eirnilus.

Angel of Fury—Ksoppghiel, who is the leader of the many angels of this order. [Cf. Zkzorum-tiel.]

Angel of the Future—Teiaiel or Isiaiel (*q.v.*). In Assyro-Babylonian mythology, the god of foresight was Adad.

Angels of the Garden of Eden—the 2 angels commonly identified as the angels of Eden are Metatron and Messiah, both of the order of cherubim. But Raphael is also regarded as the angel of the earthly paradise by virtue of his having guarded the Tree of Life. John Dryden in his *State of Innocence, or The Fall of Man* concludes his dramatic poem with Raphael hustling our first parents out of Eden (rather than Michael, as in Milton, *Paradise Lost*). [Rf. *The Zohar*; Waite, *The Secret Doctrine in Israel*.] To R. L. Gales ("The Christian Lore of Angels"), it is Jophiel who stands at the gates of the Garden of Eden with the flaming sword.

Angel of Gehenna (Gehennom, Gehinnom)—Temeluchus, Kushiël, Shaftiel, Nasargiel, Duma. In the New Testament, Gehenna is another name for Hell. [Rf. *Maseket Gan Eden and Gehinnom*, quoted in *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593.] In the writings of the cabalist Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla, Gehennom is the name of the 1st lodge of the 7 lodges in Hell, with Kushiël as the presiding angel.

Angel of Gemini ("twins")—Ambriel or, in ceremonial magic, Giel. According to Rabbi Chomer (Hebrew cabalist and master of Gaffarel), the 2 governing spirits of Gemini are Sagra and Saraïel. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Angel of Gethsemane—according to Gales, writing in the *National Review* on "The Christian Lore of Angels," it is the angel Chamuel (Kamuel, Haniel) who strengthened Jesus, in His agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, with the assurance of resurrection. Luke 22:43 speaks of this angel but does not name him. Some sources identify Gabriel as the angel of Gethsemane.

Angel of Glory—Sandalphon, who is also the angel of prayer and tears. See Longfellow's poem "Sandalphon." The angels of glory, as a group, are identified or equated with the angels of sanctification. They reside in the highest Heaven, Araboth, number 660,000 myriads, and "stand over against the throne of Glory and the divisions of flaming fire." [Rf. 3 *Enoch* 22; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Angel of God—Uriel, or God Himself. In the Old Testament the expression "angel of the Lord" or "angel of God" is a theophorous term. It stands for the Elohim (god or gods), as in the *Mekilta of Rabbi Ishmael*. [Rf. Origen, *In Joanem* quoting from the *Prayer of Joseph*, a Jewish pseudepigraphon; see Angel of the Lord.]

Angel of Good—so called, though unnamed, in *The Apocalypse of Abraham*.

Angel of Good Counsel—Jesus, according to Dionysius the Areopagite in *The Mystical Theology and the Celestial Hierarchies*.

Angel of Good Deeds—pictured, but not named, as a recording angel in Longfellow, *The Golden Legend*.

Angel of Grace [Ananchel]

Angel of the Grail—pictured (but not named) by the Maître de Liesborn. The painting was done or published in 1465 and is reproduced on plate III in Régamey, *Anges*. The Angel of the Grail is also shown in a frieze, "The Vision of Galahad," by

Edward A. Abbey in the Boston Public Library. [Rf. Baxter, *The Holy Grail*.]

Angel of the Great (or Mighty) Counsel—the Messiah, the Holy Ghost, the Head of Days. (See Angel of the Covenant.) "Our Lord and Savior is called an angel of great counsel because he is the announcer of His father's Will." [Rf. Nicetas of Remesiana (335-414 C.E.) in "The Names and Titles of our Savior" quoted in Fremantle, *A Treasury of Early Christianity*.] St. Hilary in his *On the Trinity* IV calls the son of God (i.e., Jesus) "the angel of the Great Counsel." [Rf. Isaiah 9:6 (Septuagint version).] Gregory Thaumaturgus in his *Panegyric Addressed to Origen* thanks "that holy angel of God who fed me from my youth . . . perchance the Angel of the Mighty Counsel."

Angel of Greece—Javan or Yavan (a name for Greece). Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 35, quoting from various Talmudic sources, reports that "the angel of Greece mounted 180 rounds of Jacob's ladder."

Angel of Grief—depicted in the famous monument in the Protestant Cemetery in Rome. It is the work of an American sculptor and poet, W. W. Story, who, with his wife, lies buried there. A replica, at Stanford University in California, was erected to the memory of the victims of the 1906 earthquake.

Angel of Hades—Uriel, Raphael. The 1st (Uriel) is set over Tartarus; the 2nd (Raphael) is "prince of Hades." While Raphael is in charge of departed souls, the officiating angel of the newly dead was, at least originally, Uriel. [Rf. *Enoch I*, and Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 70, 273, 310.]

Angel of Hail (or Hailstorms)—Bardiel or Baradiel or Barchiel; also Nuriel, Yurkami, and the twin irin kaddishin.

Angel of Healing—usually Raphael; but also Suriel and Assiel.

Angel of Health—Mumiah; also Raphael.

Angel of Heavenly Baptism—Seldac (q.v.).

Angel of Hell—there are 7 presiding angels of Hell under the ethnarchy of Duma(h). The other 6 most commonly listed are Kshiel, Lahatiel, Shaftiel, Maccathiel, Chutriel, Pasiel. Other listings give Dalkiel, Rugziel, Nasargiel. [Rf. writings of Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II.]

Angel of Herbs—in the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*, the angel of herbs (unnamed) is included among the "splendid, terrible, and mighty angel chiefs" who passed before God to extol and rejoice in the 1st Sabbath.

Angel of Heroism—Narsinha, who is the "man-lion avatar" and "lord of heroism."

Angel Over Hidden Things—Satarel (Sartael), and Gethel (Ingethal).

Angel of the Hills—like the angel of herbs (q.v.), the angel of the hills, unnamed, was included by Rabbi Akiba among the "splendid, terrible, and mighty angel chiefs" who passed before God to extol and rejoice in the 1st Sabbath. [Rf. *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*.]

Angel of His Presence—usually applied to the Shekinah (q.v.). Cf. Isaiah 63:9: "In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them." See Angels of the Face; Angel of Sanctification; Angel of Glory. In rabbinic lore there are 12 angels of this class, with Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, and Zagzagael prominent among them.

Angel of Hoarfrost—an angel mentioned but not named in *Enoch I*.

Angel of Holiness [Angel of Sanctification]

Angel of the Holy Spirit—Gabriel. In Charles, *The Ascension of Isaiah* IX, 36, Isaiah sees the angel of the holy spirit in the 7th Heaven "on the left of my Lord."

Angel of Hope—Phanuel, as designated by Jean Danielou in his *Angels and Their Missions*. Phanuel is also the angel of penance "who holds the devil in his power."

Angels of Horror—the cherubim, who surround the throne of glory and who “strike fear and terror in the hearts of all who behold them.” [See Angels of Terror.]

Angel of Hostility (mal’akh hammastemah)—usually applied to Beliel or Beliar or Mastema. [Rf. Mansoor, *The Thanksgiving Hymns*; Vermes, *Discovery in the Judean Desert*, p. 184.]

Angel of Humanity—in the *Revelation of Moses*, the angel of humanity appears to Eve in Eden when she is on her knees praying for forgiveness of her sins. The angel raises her up, saying: “Arise, Eve, from thy repentance; for behold, Adam thy husband has gone forth from his body.” This was the first news to Eve that Adam had died. Eve died 6 days later.

Angel of Hurricanes [Za’miel; Zaafiel]

Angel of Ice—an angel mentioned but not named in *The Book of Jubilees* and in the *Revelation of John*, the latter a New Testament apocryphon. [See Angel of Snow.] The Mayans have a god of ice called Itztlacoliuhqui.

Angel of (or over) Immorality—his name is Zethar and he is one of the angels of confusion. In *Targum Esther*, Zethar is the “observer of immorality.” God sent him down, with 6 other angels of confusion, to put an end to King Ahasuerus’ pleasure. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 375.] See Pharzuph; Schiekron.

Angel of Iniquity—“the angel of iniquity is bitter and angry and foolish; and his works are pernicious”—from the New Testament apocryphon *Hermas II*. While the angel is not named, he may be identified as Apollyon (q.v.).

Angel of Insolence—Rahab, who is also the angel or demon of the primordial waters and sometimes identified as the angel of death. [Cf. Isaiah 51:9.]

Angel of Insomnia—Michael, who was sent by God to cause the sleeplessness of Ahasuerus (the king who, on the advice of the wicked Haman, had decreed the annihilation of all the Jews in the

kingdom). The tale is told in *Targum Esther* and repeated in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.

Angel of Intercession—an unnamed angel who intercedes “for the people of Israel, so that they may not be utterly destroyed,” as the angel declared to Levi when the latter went to Heaven (in a dream). [Rf. the *Testament of Levi* in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*.]

Angel of Inventions—Liwet, an *uthra* (angel) in Mandaean religious lore.

Angel of Ire [Zkzoromtiel]

Angel of Irrevocable Choice [Zeffar]

Angel of Israel—Michael. Also Javan (q.v.) and the unnamed angel in the *Testament of Levi* and the *Testament of Dan* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*).

Angel of January—Gabriel. In ancient Persian lore, the angel was Bahman.

Angel of Jehovah [Angel of the Lord]

Angel of Joy [Raphael; Gabriel]

Angel of Judgment [Gabriel; Zchanpuryu; Phalgus]

Angel of July—Verchiel (Zarachiel). In ancient Persian lore, Murdad (q.v.).

Angel of June—Muriel (a male angel). In ancient Persian lore, Tir.

Angel of June-July [Imrief]

Angel of (the planet) Jupiter—Zachariel (Yahriel); Zadkiel; Sachiel; Adabiel; Barchiel; Zadykiel. In Longfellow’s *The Golden Legend*, the angel of the planet Jupiter is Zobiachel (q.v.). For the names of the angels of the 7 planets, see Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*.

Angels of Justice [Tsadkiel; Azza]

Angel of Knowledge—Raphael, who is also the angel of science, health, prayer, and love.

Angel of the Last Judgment—Michael, Gabriel (also Abel, as in *The Testament of Abraham*).

Angel of the Law—where “Law” has the meaning of Torah (i.e., the Pentateuch), the angel is Dina, also known as Yefefiah, Iofiel, Zagzagael.

Angel of Lawlessness—Beliar (Beliel), Matanbuchus. [Rf. *The Martyrdom of Isaiah*.]

Angel of (the sign of) Leo—in ceremonial magic, the angel is Ol. There are also governing spirits of the sign and these are Saghām and Seratiel, according to Rabbi Chomer, the Hebrew cabalist quoted in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*. See also Verchiel.

Angel of Liberty—unidentified by name. In Victor Hugo’s *La Fin de Satan*, it is through the angel of liberty that Satan is to be finally redeemed. [Rf. Papini, *The Devil*.]

Angel of Libra (the Balances)—Jael, in ceremonial magic. In *The Magus*, the angel is Zuriel. According to Rabbi Chomer the 2 governing spirits of Libra are Grasarben and Hadakiel (Chadakiel). It was from the writings of Rabbi Chomer that Gaffarel (17th-century man of learning and librarian to Cardinal Richelieu) drew many of his predictions.

Angel of Life—in his poem “The Two Angels,” Longfellow speaks of the angel of life and the angel of death (both unnamed). They are dressed in robes of white, one “crowned with amaranth as with flame,” the other “with asphodels like flakes of light.” Both angels, says Longfellow, are from God “on celestial embassy.”

Angel of Light—Isaac, Gabriel, Jesus, and Satan have been called angels of light, Satan only in his disguise as such (II Corinthians 11:14). In Jewish tradition, Isaac was looked upon as an angel of light because of the supernatural brightness of his countenance at birth (a birth announced by Michael). In Christian lore of the Middle Ages, Gabriel was the angel of light. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic I*, 296.] In Parsi religion, it was Mihr (Meher, Mithra); also Parvargigar (who, in Arabic, was Rab-un-naw, “lord of the species”). According to *Midrash Kohen*, 300 angels of light dwell in the 3rd Heaven where they “unceasingly sing God’s praises and

watch over the Garden of Eden and the Tree of Life.” It should be explained that there are two paradises: the terrestrial one and the heavenly one. In the cabala, the sun, included among the planets, is regarded as an angel of light.

Angel of the Light of Day—Shamshiel, who is also the prince of Paradise. [Rf. 3 Enoch.]

Angel of Lightning—Barkiel (Barakiel) or Uriel, according to *The Book of Jubilees*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*; 3 Enoch. Barkiel (q.v.) is also the angel of February and is customarily cited as one of the 7 archangels. In Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, as in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, the angel of lightning is claimed to be the only power able to overcome the demon Envy.

Angel of Lights—in *The Zadokite Fragments* the following appears: “Moses and Aaron continued in their charge through the help of the Angel of Lights even though Beliel in his cunning had set up Jannes and his brother in opposition of them.” [Rf. Rowley, *The Zadokite Fragments and the Dead Sea Scrolls*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*.] Raphael, as regent of the sun; Uriel, also called regent of the sun; and Shamshiel, “light of day,” may similarly be designated angels of light.

Angel of Longevity—the angels most commonly cited in occult writings as controllers or dispensers of longevity are Scheiah, Mumiah, Rehael. The last-named is of the order of powers. For his sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

Angel of the Lord—a Biblical theophorism, usually identified or personified as Michael, Metatron, Malachi, Gabriel, Akatriel, Yehadriel, Homadiel, Phinehas, etc. Where the expression occurs in the Old Testament, particularly in the earlier books, it may be taken to mean, though not always, God Himself. In Numbers 22:22 the Angel of the Lord is the adversary (i.e., *ha-satan*) acting for the Lord. The apparent contradiction between similar accounts in II Samuel 24:1 (where it is the Lord who provoked David to number Israel) and I Chronicles 21:1 (where it is Satan who does the provoking) may be resolved if

(1) Satan were spelled lowercase—i.e., *satan*—to denote not the name of an angel (as it was, in fact, not meant to denote) but the designation of an office, the office of adversary; and if (2) this adversary were understood to be acting for God—that is, acting as the angel of the Lord. In Judges II, the angel of the Lord comes up from Gilgal to Bochim to remind the Israelites of the Lord's promise "which I swear unto your fathers" to lead them to the Promised land. In the New Testament, as in Acts 12:1-7 (where Peter is released from prison), the angel of the Lord is not the Lord but a heavenly messenger sent by the Lord and acting for the Lord. See Raphael's painting "The Angel Waking St. Peter." In Acts 12:23, where Herod is struck down by "the angel of the Lord," the term may be equated with, or stand for, the angel of death. Justin held that one of the 3 angels that visited Abraham (Genesis 18) was the Word (i.e., the Logos or Holy Ghost). Philo thought that the other 2 were Christ and God Himself, or (again) the angel of the Lord, the 3 constituting a prefiguring of the Trinity. The subject of Abraham "entertaining angels unawares" was popular with painters of the early Italian school. The scene is depicted in a woodcut in the Cologne Bible (1478-1480); it also figures in one of Hans Holbein's wood engravings (where, by the way, the 3 angels are represented without wings). It was an angel of the Lord, say the rabbis, who taught Abraham Hebrew, "the language of Revelation." [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 85.] The term angel of the Lord, or angel of God, or angel of Yahweh appears in connection with the story of Hagar (Genesis 16); the sacrifice of Isaac (Genesis 22); the burning bush (Exodus 3); Balaam (Numbers 22); Gideon (Judges 6); parents of Samson (Judges 13); David at the threshing-floor of Araunah (2 Samuel); Elijah (2 Kings); the smiting of the Assyrian host (2 Kings); etc.

Angel of the Lord of Hosts—on high, the angel is Michael; on earth it is the High-priest, so designated "by reason that he belongs to the side of Grace." [Rf. *The Zohar* (Numbers 145b).]

Angel of Love—Thiel, Rahmiel, Raphael, Donquel, etc. In the cabala, the Roman goddess

Venus also figures as an angel of love. In rabbinic lore the angel of love (not named) approved the creation of man when God first proposed the idea to an assembly of top hierarchs (some of those who disapproved were punished—Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*). In Talmudic, Zoharistic, and Mandaean sources we find Liwet and Anael (the latter angel of the star of love) serving as additional angels of love. In ancient Persian writings, Mihr was the angel who watched over love and friendship.

Angel of Lude—the rooftree angel of France. He is represented, though not named, in stained glass at St. Bartholomew's Protestant Episcopal Church in New York City. The bronze of the angel is by Jehan Barbet de Lyon (1475). It was intended as a weathervane for St. Chapelle in Paris. In the 19th century the statue was removed by the Marquis de Talhouet to his chateau du Lude (whence the angel's name). It was acquired by J. P. Morgan and exhibited in the United States. A reproduction is in the book *Merchants of Art*.

Angel of Lust—in Talmud *Bereshith Rabba* 85, and according to Rabbi Jochanan commenting on Genesis 38:13-26, when "Judah was about to pass by, without noticing, Tamar (Judah's daughter-in-law, squatting like a harlot at the crossroads), God caused the angel of lust to present itself to him." The angel is not named—but compare with Pharzuph (or Priapus), whom Arnobius in *Adversus Nationes* III, called "the Hellespontian god of lust." [Cf. also with the "spirit of whoredom" in Hosea 4:12.]

Angel of Luxury—in his commentary on Matthew, Origen says that anyone who "falls away from Michael is put into subjection to the angel of luxury, then to the angel of punishment."

Angel of Mankind—usually Metatron (q.v.).

Angels of the Mansions of the Moon—see Appendix for the names of 28 of these governing angels of the moon.

Angel of March—Machidiel (Malchidiel), Melkejal, etc. For angels governing other months



Angels of the Trinity, an icon made c. 1410–1420 by André Rublev. Here all 3 figures (Jesus, God, and the Holy Ghost) are winged and haloed. In the Tretykov Gallery, Moscow. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

of the year, *see* Angels of the Months of the Year. In ancient Persian lore, the angel of March was Favardin.

Angel of the Marriage of Contraries [Camaysar]

Angel of (the planet) Mars—Uriel, Samael (Zamiel), Gabriel, Chamael (or Camuel, as listed in Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*). [Rf. Kircher, *Oedipus Aegyptiacus*; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Angel of May—Ambriel (Amriel); also Afsikhof. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.] In ancient Persian lore, the angel of May was Khurdad.

Angel of Media—the unnamed tutelary angel of the ancient land of Media who became “corrupted through national bias.” According to Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 351, the angel of Media mounted 52 rungs of Jacob’s Ladder.

Angel of Memory—Zachriel, Zadkiel, Mupiel. The angels of memory are invoked in Mosaic incantations, occult rites, etc.

Angel of (the planet) Mercury—in grimoires and goetic texts, the angels of the planet Mercury are variously given as Tiriël, Raphael, Hasdiel, Michael, Barkiel, Zadkiel. In practical cabala, the angel of Mercury is Bene (Bne) Seraphim. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Angel of Mercy—Rahmiel (Rhamiel), Rachmiel, Gabriel, Michael, Zehanpuryu, Zadkiel. St. Francis of Assisi has been called the angel of mercy and has been so pictured (with wings) in *The Douce Apocalypse*. (*See also The Zohar*; 3 Enoch.) As in the case of 2 other mortals (Enoch and Elijah), St. Francis, it is claimed, was transformed into an angel and now goes by the name of Rhamiel. Another angel of mercy named in Merkabah lore is Uzziel, acting under Metatron. [Rf. introd. 3 Enoch.]

Angel of Meteors [Angel of Comets, *q.v.*]

Angels of Might—“from the shrines of the

Egyptians, He (Christ) stole the names of the angels of might”—so claimed pagan writers, according to Arnobius in his *Adversus Nationes* I. The names of these angels of might are not given.

Angel of Mighty Counsel—the Septuagint version of the famous passage in Isaiah 9:6, which has been interpreted by Christian apologists as one of the prophecies of the advent of Christ, and as one of His appellations.

Angel of Migration—Nadiel (*q.v.*), who is the governing spirit of the month of Kislev (November–December).

Angel of Mohammed—when Mohammed, according to legend, was transported to Heaven, he saw there—as he later reported—an angel with “70,000 heads, each head having 70,000 faces, each face 70,000 mouths, each mouth 70,000 tongues, each tongue speaking 70,000 languages, and all employed in singing God’s praises.” Brewer in his *Dictionary of Phrase and Fable* estimates that the foregoing enumeration “would make more than 31,000 trillion languages and nearly 5 billion mouths.” [Cf. the *erelim*.]

Angel of Monday—Gabriel; Arcan (king, in the nether realms); Bilet; Missabu; Abuzaha; and others.

Angels of Mons (legendary)—in Machen, *The Bowmen & Other Legends of the War*, the angels of Mons, phantom horsemen, are reported to have appeared at the battle of Mons, bringing aid to the English. The report found general acceptance among civilians as well as among many of the soldiers who fought in the battle.

Angels of the (12) Months of the Year—Gabriel (January); Barchiel (February); Malchidiel (March); Asmodel (April); Ambriel or Amriel (May); Muriel (June); Verchiel (July); Hamaliel (August); Zuriel or Uriel (September); Barbiel (October); Adnachiël or Advachiël (November); Hanael or Anael (December). In ancient Persian lore, the angels were: Bahman (January); Isfandarmend (February); Farvardin (March); Ardibehist (April); Khurdad (May); Tir (June); Murdad (July); Shahrivar (August); Mihr or Miher

(September); Aban (October); Azar (November); Dai (December). [Rf. *The Magus* II and De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Angels of the Moon—in Solomonian lore, the angels governing the moon are variously given as Yahriel, Iachadiel, Elimiel, Gabriel, Tsaphiel, Zachariel, Iaqwiel, and others. In Longfellow's *The Golden Legend*, where the 7 planetary angels are named, the angel of the moon is given as Gabriel, although in later editions of the poem Longfellow switched to the angel Onafiel. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic*.] Actually, there is no such angel as Onafiel. Longfellow coined him inadvertently through a transposition of the letters "f" and "n" in Ofaniel, who is the traditional angel of the moon.

Angel of Morals—Mehabiah, an angel who assists mortals desiring progeny. In *The Magus*, Mehabiah is cited as one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Angel of Mountains [Rampel]

Angel of the Muses—Uriel, Israfel, Radueriel, Vretil (Pravuil). The 9 Etruscan gods, the Novensiles, were regarded collectively as constituting the Muses, according to Granius (on the authority of Arnobius in his *Adversus Nationes* III).

Angel of Music—in Islamic lore, the angel of music is Israfel (Israfil), who is often equated with Uriel.

Angel of the Mutations of the Moon—in ancient Persian theogony, the angel was Mah.

Angel of Mysteries—Raziel, Gabriel, Zizuph. In Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic*, Gabriel is the "genius of Mysteries."

Angel of Night [Leliel; Metatron; Lailah]

Angel of the Noonday Winds [Nariel]

Angel of the North [Oertha; Alfatha; Uriel; Chairoum]

Angels of the North Star—Abathur, Muzania, Arhum Hii, and 4 angels (*uthri*) in Mandaean lore.

Angel of the North Wind—Chairoum (*q.v.*).

Angel of Nourishment—Isda. See Angel of Food.

Angel of November—Adnachiel (Advachiel, Adernahael). In ancient Persian lore, the angel of November was Azar.

Angel of Obedience—Sraosha (*q.v.*) in Manicheanism.

Angel of Oblivion—Purah or Puta or Poteh. Referred to also as the angel of forgetfulness.

Angel of October—Barbiel. In ancient Persian lore, Aban.

Angel of the Odd (fictional)—in Edgar Allan Poe's short story so titled, a wingless, Dutch-English speaking angel, more like an automaton, who "presides over the contretemps of mankind." The business of this angel or genius is "to bring about the odd accidents which are continually astonishing the sceptic." [Rf. vol. 4 of the 10-vol. *The Works of Edgar Allan Poe*.]

Angel of Omnipotence—there are (or were) 8 angels of this class, Atuesuel, Ebuhuel, Elubatel, Tubatlu, Bualu, Tulatu, Labusi, Ublisi. In the *Citation of Leviathan*, the first 3 angels are invoked to force demons to appear and do the bidding of the invocant. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 85.]

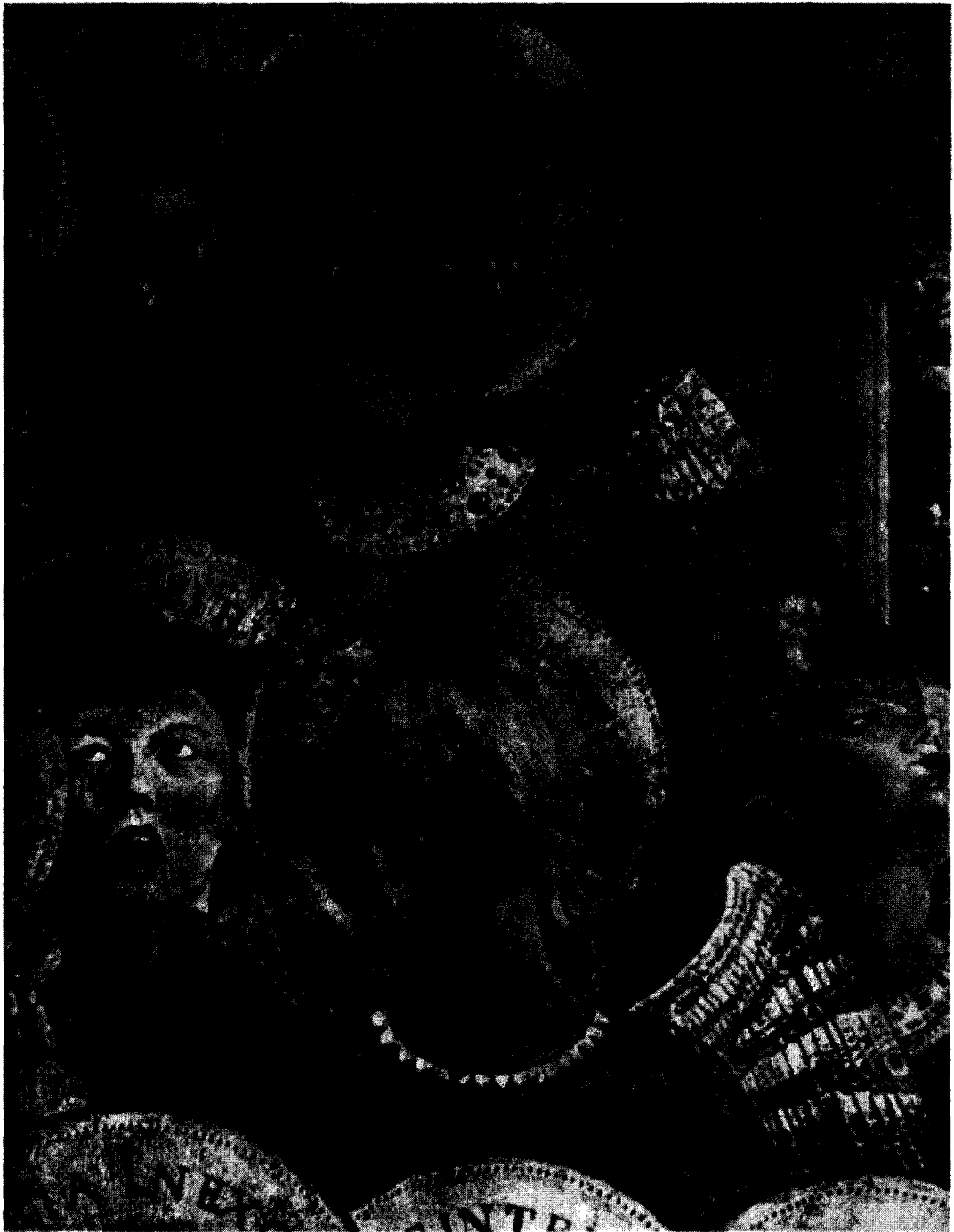
Angel of Oracles—Phaldor (*q.v.*).

Angel of Order—Sadriel (*q.v.*).

Angel of Orion—in the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*, the angel of Orion (unnamed) is included among the "splendid, terrible and mighty angel chiefs" who passed before God to extol and rejoice in the 1st Sabbath.

Angel of Paradise—both earthly and heavenly: Shamshiel, Michael, Zephon, Zotiel, Johiel, Gabriel, etc. In Mandaean lore, the angel is Rusvon. In ancient Persian lore, the angel was Sirushi (or Surush Ashu, or Ashu). [Rf. Shea and Troyer, *The Dabistan*, p. 144.]

Angel of Patience—Achaiah (*q.v.*), who is also adept in discovering the secrets of nature. In



Angels Chanting the "Gloria" by Benozzo Gozzoli (1420–1498). Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

the cabala, the angel of patience is one of 3, and belongs to the order of seraphim.

Angel of Peace—in Jewish legend, the angel of peace (unnamed) is reputed to have opposed the creation of man, for which opposition he was burned by God, along with the hosts under him. The angel of truth was also burned, and for the same reason. Later, it seems, they were both revived. In *Enoch I*, 40, the angel of peace leads Enoch the patriarch around Heaven and reveals to him the names of the 4 archangels of the presence—Michael, Raphael, Gabriel, Phanuel—describing their individual duties. The *Testament of Asher* speaks of “meeting the angel of peace,” but does not name him. Traditionally there were 7 angels of peace. *The Zohar* translates Isaiah 33:7 as “Behold, angels cry abroad, the angels of peace weep bitterly.” They weep “because they no longer know [declares Rabbi Simeon] what to make of God’s promise to Abraham at the time when He brought him forth.” According to tradition [Rf. *New Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 441] “angels of peace visit every Jewish home when the holy Sabbath is being ushered in.” In gnostic lore, the prince of peace is Melchisedec (q.v.). [Rf. Prince of Peace.]

Angel of Penance—Phanuel (q.v.). He is also the angel of hope and identified as the Shepherd of Hermas.

Angel of Persecution—according to Roman Catholic doctrine, in its prebaptismal rites, the angel of persecution is a personal devil which is in each of us (side by side with a guardian angel). See Angel of Perversion. [Rf. Corte, *Who Is the Devil?*]

Angel of Persia—Dob(b)iel or Dub(b)iel, known as the guardian angel of Persia. In Daniel 10:13, Michael contends with the prince of Persia (not identified here by name). [Rf. Talmud *Yoma* 77a.]

Angel of Perversion—a 2nd-century C.E. apocryphon, the *Shepherd of Hermas*, informs us that “every man has close by him 2 angels, one an angel of holiness or sanctity, the other an angel of perversion.” [Cf. Angel of Persecution.]

Angel of Pisces—in ceremonial magic, the angel of this sign of the zodiac (Pisces, fishes) is Pasiel. According to Rabbi Chomer, quoted by Eliphas Levi, there are 2 governing spirits of Pisces and they are Rasamasa and Vocabiel (Vocatiel). Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessèd Angels*, lists Varchiel as chief regent of Pisces.

Angel of the Plagues—an unnamed destroying angel who, sword in hand, appeared over Jerusalem to punish the Jews, particularly King David, for authorizing a census (the numbering of people being, apparently, an offence to God). David appeased the angel of the plagues by offering burnt sacrifices on the threshing-floor of Araunah, one of the Jebusite inhabitants of old Jerusalem. For the incident, see I Chronicles 21.

Angels of the Planets—there are commonly 7 angels of the planets which, in occult lore, include the sun and moon. The chief is Rehatiël (Rhatiël) or Rejatiël. For the name of the governing angel for each planet, his sign, the day he governs, etc., see Appendix. In the 1st edition of Longfellow’s *The Golden Legend*, the angels of the 7 planets are given as: Raphael (Sun); Gabriel (Moon); Anael (star of love, i.e., Venus); Zobiachel (Jupiter); Michael (Mercury); Uriel (Mars); Anachiël (Saturn). In later editions, Longfellow substituted Onafiël for Gabriel and Orifiël for Anachiël. Both Zobiachel and Onafiël seem to be newly coined, since they show up in no other source.

Angel of Plants—Sachluph (q.v.).

Angel of the Pleiades—in the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*, this angel, unnamed, is included among the “splendid, terrible and mighty angel chiefs” who passed before God to extol and rejoice in the 1st Sabbath.

Angel of Poetry—Uriel, Israfel, Radueriel (Vretil), Phoenix.

Angel of (the order of) Powers—in the cabala [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*] the angel of the order of powers is Zacharaël, or the planet Jupiter. Other sources designate Verchiël, Camael, Kafziel (Cassiel), and Sam(m)ael. The last named is given on the authority of Robert Fludd,



Baroque Angels, the work of Franz Schwanthaler (c. 1720). Made for the Heilige Maria Kirche, Dresden. From the collection of Edward R. Lubin.

16th-century alchemist. According to Gregory the Great, the powers “preside over demons.” In *The Testament of Abraham*, a pseudepigraphic work, the angel of powers is Michael.

Angel of Praise—unnamed. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 16, it is related that “the third creation of the second day [of Creation] were the angel hosts, both the ministering angels and the angels of praise.” Specifically, the latter would constitute the 3 orders of the 1st triad in the Dionysian scheme—seraphim, cherubim, thrones.

Angel of Prayer—in occult writings one finds usually 5 or 6 named angels of prayer: Akatriel, Gabriel, Metatron, Raphael, Sandalphon, Sizouse. But since there are “seven archangels who convey the prayers of the saints to God” (according to Oesterley in Manson, *A Companion to the Bible*, p. 337), Michael might be included among the aforementioned 6.

Angel of Precipices—Zarobi (*q.v.*).

Angels of Pregnancy—in Mosaic incantation

rites, the angels of pregnancy are Sinui and Sinsuni. These 2 luminaries are invoked to help women in labor. According to Jewish legend, God appoints an angel to make the newborn Jewish male resemble its father, in order, presumably, to preclude the charge of adultery which might be lodged against the mother where a child bears no resemblance to the male parent. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI, 83.]

Angels of the Presence—also known as angels of the face. They are customarily 12 in number, the chiefs of the group being Michael, Metatron, Suriel, Sandalphon, Astanphaeus, Saraqael, Phanuel, Jehoel, Zagzagael, Uriel, Yefefiah, and Akatriel. The angels of the presence are also equated with the angels of sanctification and the angels of glory, 2 classes of hierarchs that were, it seems, already circumcised at the time they were created. See *The Book of Jubilees* XV, 27. In the just-named pseudepigraphon (I, 27 et seq.) the story of Creation is unfolded to Moses “by the angel of the presence,” who, however, is not named. “Probably Michael,” says R. H. Charles. The patriarch Judah, in the *Testament of Judah* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*), claims that the angel of the presence (not named) blessed him. According to *The Zohar* (I, Vayera), the angels of the presence were expelled from the divine presence when they revealed the “mystery” (i.e., God’s purpose). [Rf. *A Rabbinic Anthology*, p. 162.] Blake in his poem “Milton” speaks of the “seven angels of the presence.” He also has a drawing, now in the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, titled “The Angel of the Divine Presence Clothing Adam and Eve with Coats of Skins.” Rabbinic tradition refers to the 70 tutelary angels as angels of the presence. According to the *Testament of Levi* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*), the angels of the presence dwell in the 6th Heaven. [Rf. Eisenmenger, *Traditions of the Jews* I; *Book of Hymns* V; *Testament of Judah* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*); Lea, *Materials Toward a History of Witchcraft* I, 17.]

Angel of Pride—Rahab; Satan.

Angel of Priesthoods and Sacrifices—

Sachiel-Meleck. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 307.]

Angels of Principalities—the ruling princes of this order, listed 1st in the 3rd triad of the pseudo-Dionysian system of the celestial hierarchy, include Haniel, Nisroc, Cerviel, and Raguel. The order is known also as princedoms. The angels of this choir are “protectors of religion” and preside over good spirits. In Jude and in the Pauline Epistles, the principalities are regarded as both beneficent and malevolent luminaries. Nisroc is mentioned in *Paradise Lost* VI, 447 as “of Principalities the prime.” This Nisroc was once an Assyrian deity (II Kings 19:37). In occult lore, he is a demon. [Rf. Caird, *Principalities and Powers*.]

Angel of Proclamation—Gabriel; also Ak(h)-raziel or Azkariel.

Angel of Progress—in Jewish cabala, the angel of progress is Mercury. Raphael is also referred to as the angel of progress. [Rf. Acts 14: 11-12; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 100.]

Angel of Prostitution—in Zoharistic cabala, the angel of prostitution is Eisheth Zenunim (mate of Sammael, prince of poison and of death). Lilith, Naamah, and Agrat bat Mahlat were 3 other mates of Sammael and, like Eisheth, angels of prostitution. [Rf. Masters, *Eros and Evil*.]

Angel of Punishment—there are 7 and they are named in *Maseket Gan Eden and Gehinnom*: Kushiel (“rigid one of God”); Lahatiel (“flaming one”); Shoftiel (“judge of God”); Makatiel (“plague of God”); Hutriel (“rod of God”); Pusieli or Puriel (“fire of God”); Rogziel (“wrath of God”). See *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593. Another angel of punishment is Amaliel (q.v.). The Coptic *Pistis Sophia* names Ariel as the angel in charge of punishments in Hell. *The Manual of Discipline* (plate IV) lists angels of punishment. In *Enoch II* (10:3) the angels of punishment dwell in the 3rd Heaven. Cf. the Levi testament in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*, where armies of punishing angels, presumably evil, dwell in the 3rd Heaven. These, says Charles in *Enoch I*, are the grigori (q.v.). Hell, by the way, was “in the north of the

3rd Heaven.” In Coptic gnosticism, the demon of punishment is Asmodel; in occult writings, Asmodel is the angel of April. *Midrash Tehillim*, commenting on Psalm 7, lists 5 angels of punishment whom Moses encountered in Heaven, to wit: (1) Af, angel of anger; (2) Kezef, angel of wrath; (3) Hemah, angel of fury; (4) Hasmed, angel of annihilation; (5) Mashit, angel of destruction.

Angel of Purity—Tahariel. [Rf. Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*.]

Angels of Quaking—the “Angels of Quaking surround the throne of glory.” (Cf. Angels of Terror.) Moses beheld these angels during his 40-day stay in Heaven. [Rf. *Ma’ayan ha-Hokmah* 58-60 and other midrashim.]

Angel of Rage—called N’mosnikttiel in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. [Cf. Angels of Wrath.]

Angel of Rain—in rabbinic lore, at least 5 qualify as angels of rain: Matriel, Matarel, Matariel, Ridya (Ridia), and Zalbesael (Zebebsel). *3 Enoch* (the Hebrew Book of Enoch) vouches for “Batarrel standing for Matarel.” In ancient Persian writings, the angel of rain (as also for rivers) was Dara.

Angel of Rarified Air—in Parsi angelology the angel is Ram-Khvastra; in Mandaean lore, it is Ayar Ziwa.

Angel of Repentance—according to various sources, the angel of repentance is Shepherd, Michael, Raphael, Suriel, Salathiel, Phanuel (Penuel). [Rf. *Shepherd of Hermas*; *Enoch I*; *The Interpreter’s Bible (Commentary)*.]

Angel of Resurrection—the angel who rolled away the stone before Jesus’ tomb. In Matthew 28 he is called the angel of the Lord. [Cf. Gabriel.]

Angel of Revelation—Gabriel. [See Blake’s poem, “Glad Day.”]

Angel of the Right—in the Valentinian (gnostic) theory of Excerpts, the Angels of the Right were those who had prior knowledge of

the birth of Christ. [Rf. Newbold, "The Descent of Christ in the Odes of Solomon" in *Journal of Biblical Literature*, December 1912.]

Angel of Righteousness—Michael. In *The Shepherd of Hermas*, the angel (unnamed) is described as "mild, modest, gentle and quiet" and as one of 2 angels "with man," the other being an "angel of iniquity" (q.v.).

Angel of the River Jordan—called Silmai; also Nidbai.

Angel of Rivers—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, the angel of rivers is Trsiel; in Persian lore the angel is Dara (q.v.).

Angel of Rome—usually spoken of as Sammael, who is Satan in post-Biblical lore. Edom (q.v.) was a designation for Rome.

Angel of Running Streams—Nahaliel (q.v.).

Angel of the Sabbath—named Sabbath in Jewish (rabbinic) writings, where he is represented as one of the great hierarchs in Heaven. "The angel named Sabbath who sat on a throne of glory and the chiefs of all the angels of all the heavens and the abysses danced and rejoiced before him." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 84.]

Angel of Sagittarius—the angel of the sign of Sagittarius in the zodiac is Ayil or Sizajasel. According to Rabbi Chomer (Levi, *Transcendental Magic*), the 2 governing spirits of the sign are Vhnori and Saritaiel (Saritiel). In Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, the ruler of Sagittarius is Adnachiël.

Angel of Salvation—Haurvatat, who is one of the amesha spentas (archangels) in Zoroastrianism. In noncanonical lore (Enoch and Baruch apocrypha), the angel of salvation is Uriel. [Rf. Graves and Patai, *Hebrew Myths*, p. 103.]

Angel of Sanctification—equated with the angel of glory and the angel of the presence. Chief among the angels of sanctification are Phanuel, Suriel, Metatron, Michael, Zagzagael. Like the angels of the presence, the angels of sanctification

were created already circumcised, a "fact" attested to in the pre-Christian *The Book of Jubilees*.

Angel of the Sanctuary—Sar ha-Kodesh. Also identified as Michael, Metatron, Yefefiah.

Angel of Saturday—Cassiel, Machatan, Uriel. In the Talismans of Paracelsus, the angel of Saturday is Orifiel. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.]

Angel of Saturn—Orifiel, Kafziel, Michael, Maion, Orifel, Mael, Zaphiel, Schebtaiel. In the works of Zanchy, Agrippa, and Trithemius the angel of the planet Saturn is Zapkiel. Agrippa also lists Orifiel. In Longfellow, *The Golden Legend* (1st edition, 1851), the angel governing Saturn is Anachiël. In later editions Longfellow substituted Orifel for Anachiël. [Rf. Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*.]

Angel of Scandal—Zahun, according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 502. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Zahun is cited as one of the genii of the 1st hour.

Angel of Science—Raphael, who is also the angel of knowledge.

Angel of Scorpio—Sosol. According to Rabbi Chomer, quoted in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, the 2 governing spirits of Scorpio are Riehol and Saissaeiel (Sartziel).

Angel of the Sea—Rahab. He is so called in Scripture and Talmud. Rahab was destroyed twice—once for refusing to divide the upper and lower waters at the time of Creation, and again for trying to save from drowning the Egyptian hosts in pursuit of the fleeing Hebrews across the Red (more correctly Reed) Sea. [See Tamiel; Angel of the Deep.]

Angels of the (Four) Seasons—Farlas (Winter); Telvi (Spring); Casmaran (Summer); Andarcel (Autumn). In medieval Hebrew texts the angels of the 4 seasons are Malkiel, Helemmelek, Melejal, and Narel. [Rf. "Angels," in *Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*.]

Angels of the Second Heaven—2 are usually cited: Raphael and Zachariel. But since it was in the 2nd Heaven that Moses encountered the angel Nuriel “with his retinue of 50 myriads of angels” (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 306). Nuriel might be added to the rulers of this Heaven.

Angel of September—Uriel or Zuriel. The ruler of the month of Tishri (September–October) is Pahadron. However, if September is equated with the Hebrew month of Eloul, the angel is Elogium. In ancient Persian lore, the angel of September was Miher (Mihr).

Angels of Service—according to Rabbi Akiba the angels of service are “the fowl of heaven” (Cf. Psalm 104). *The Zohar* speaks of these angels as having 6 wings.

Angels of the Seven Days—Michael, Gabriel, Samael, Raphael, Sachiel, Anael, and Cassiel. According to Barrett, *The Magus* II (plate facing p. 105), the rulership is as follows, with the sigil of each angel reproduced in the Barrett book: Michael, lord of Sunday; Gabriel, lord of Monday; Samael, lord of Tuesday; Raphael, lord of Wednesday; Sachiel, lord of Thursday; Anael, lord of Friday; Cassiel, lord of Saturday.

Angels of the Seven Heavens—the ruling princes of the 7 Heavens are: Gabriel, 1st Heaven; Raphael, Zachariel, Galizur, 2nd Heaven; Jabniel, Rabacyel, Dalquiel, 3rd Heaven; Michael, 4th Heaven; Samael, Gadriel, 5th Heaven; Zachiel, Zebul, Sandalphon, Sabath, 6th Heaven; Cassiel (Kafziel) 7th Heaven. According to hechaloth lore, while some of the rulers reside in their respective Heavens, they are also found in other Heavens as guardians of the great halls. In Jewish legend, for example, Samael resides in the 7th Heaven (where, it is said, he is a prisoner).

Angel of the Seven Last Plagues—in Revelation 15–17 there are 7 angels of the 7 last plagues “to whom are given 7 golden vials full of the wrath of God.” The angels are not named.

Angel of Showers [Zaa’fiel]

Angel of Silence [Shateiel, Duma(h)]

Angel of the Sirocco [Sikiel]

Angel of the Sixth Heaven—Zachiel, Zebul, Sabath, Sandalphon. “Here dwells the Guardian Angel of heaven and earth,” according to the Muslims. The ruling prince of the 6th Heaven is Bodiell [Rf. *Hechaloth Zoterathi*].

Angel of the Sky [Sahaquiel]

Angel of Sleep—the unnamed angel who deprived King Ahasuerus of sleep in the Esther episode. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, p. 56.]

Angel over Small Birds [Tubiel]

Angels of Snow—Shalgiel, Michael. The angels of snow, unnamed, are spoken of in the apocryphal *Revelation of John*.

Angel of Solitudes—Cassiel, who is also the Angel of Tears (as is Sandalphon).

Angel of Song—Radueriel (Vretiel), who is also choirmaster of the muses. In Koranic lore, the angel of song is Israfil or Uriel. In rabbinic lore, the angel is Shemiel (Shemael, Shammiel) or Metatron. The last named is called “Master of Heavenly Song.”

Angels Over Sorceries—“the wizard Aod of the priests of Midian used the angels set over sorceries to make the sun shine at night,” according to *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*. [Cf. fallen angels, who make known secret arts to mankind, as related in *Enoch I*.]

Angel of the Sorrows of Death [Paraqlitos]

Angel of the Souls of Men [Remiel (Jeremiel)]

Angel of the South [Kerkoutha, Cedar, Raphael]

Angel of the Southwest [Naoutha]

Angel of the Spheres [Salatheel (Sealtiel); Jehudiel]

Angels of the Spring—in occult lore, there are 4: Amatiel, Caracasa, Core, Commissoros. The head of the sign of Spring is Spugliuel. The ruling angel is Milkiel.

Angel of the Star of Love [Anael]

Angel of the Stars [Kakabel, Kohabel, Kochabel, Kokbiel]

Angel of Sterility [Akriel]

Angel of Storm [Zakkiel, Zaamael]

Angel of Strength [Zeruch (Zeruel, Cerviel)]

Angel of Summer—Gargatel; Gaviel; Tariel. The head of the sign of summer is Tubiel.

Angels of the Summer Equinox—in this group there are 9 or more angels, with Oranir serving as chief. All are effective as amulets against the evil eye. For the names of 9 of these angels, see Appendix.

Angels of the Sun—in the cabala and occult lore, the angels of the sun include an array of hierarchs: Arithiel, Galgaliel, Gazardia (spelt variously), Korshid-Metatron, Michael, Och, Raphael, Uriel, Zerachiel, etc. *The Zohar* (Exodus, 188a) speaks of "the angel appointed to rule and guide the sun," declaring that at dawn this angel "steps forth with the holy letters of the supernal blessed Name inscribed upon his brow, and in the power of those letters opens all the windows of Heaven." In ancient Persian lore, the angel of the disk of the sun was Chur (q.v.).

Angel of Sunday—Michael (1st hour); Anael (2nd hour); Raphael (3rd hour); Gabriel (4th hour); Cassiel (5th hour); Sachiell (6th hour); Samael (7th hour); Michael (8th hour); Anael (9th hour); Raphael (10th hour); Gabriel (11th hour); Cassiel (12th hour). It will be observed that Michael, Anael, Raphael, Cassiel and Gabriel do double duty on the Sabbath day. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, pp. 55-56.]

Angel of the Sun's Rays [Schachlil]

Angel of the Supreme Mysteries [Raziel]

Angel of Sweet-Smelling Herbs [Arias]

Angel of the Sword—the chief angel of the sword is usually given as Soqed Hezi (variously spelt). But there are numerous other angels so designated, as in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Angel over Tame Beasts [Behemiel]

Angel over Tartarus (Hades)—Uriel; also the eponymous chief Tartaruchi.

Angel of Taurus—in ceremonial magic, the chief angel of this zodiacal sign (the Bull) is Tual, otherwise Asmodel. According to Rabbi Chomer, quoted by Levi in *Transcendental Magic*, the governing spirits of Taurus are Bagdal and Araziel.

Angel of Tears—Sandalphon and Cassiel (qq.v.). In Islamic lore, the Angel of Tears (not named) dwells in the 4th Heaven.

Angels of Terror—these angels are equated with the angels of quaking. They are the strongest among the hierarchs and surround the throne of glory. In Jewish mysticism, Pahadron is the chief angel of terror. He governs the month of Tishri (September-October).

Angel of the Testament—John the Baptist, according to Salkeld in *A Treatise of Angels* (1613), quoting Malachi 3:1: "and the angel of the testament whom you desire," etc. This would apply to Christ, says Lactantius in Schneewis, *Angels and Demons According to Lactantius*. The passage in Malachi is also translated as "messenger" of the covenant. [Cf. Matthew 2:10: "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way for thee."] In the view of Régamey (*What Is an Angel?*) the foregoing would denote that "Christ is to proclaim himself the angel of the testament and to cause John the Baptist to be recognized as the messenger" merely.

Angels of the Third Heaven—among the principal rulers here are Jabniel, Rabacyel, Dalquiel, Baradiel, and Shaphiel. It was in the 3rd Heaven that Moses encountered an angel "so tall, it would take a human 500 years to climb to his height; he had 70,000 heads, each head as many mouths, each mouth as many tongues, etc. Mohammed also saw such an angel in Heaven, but neither in Talmud nor in the Koran is he named. A good guess would be Erelim, eponymous head of the order of erelim; or Raziel, sometimes credited with being chief of the order. The term erelim derives from Isaiah 33:7. In de Abano, *The*

Heptameron, the angels of the 3rd Heaven include Milliel, Ucirmuel, Nelapa, Jerescue, and Babel. Some sources place the erelim in the 4th Heaven.

Angels of the Throne—the Hebrew equivalent of the order of thrones is arelim or ophanim, according to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*: "there were seven who stand before the throne." However, according to a Jewish legend, there were (or are) 70. Among the chiefs of the order the following may be mentioned: Orifiel, Ophaniel (eponymous head of the ophanim), Raziel, Zabkiel, Jophiel, Ambriel, Tychagar, Barael, Quelamia, Paschar, Boel, Raum, Murmur. A number of these hierarchs are no longer found in Heaven and are to be numbered among the fallen angels in Hell. In the Dionysian scheme, the thrones as an order are placed 3rd in the 1st triad of the celestial hierarchy. Their dominant characteristic or virtue is steadfastness.

Angel of Thunder—Ra'miel, and/or Uriel. The latter also serves as the angel of fire and lightning. In Assyro-Babylonian mythology, the god of thunder was Adad; see picturization in *Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology*, p. 59. Another Babylonian god of thunder was Rimmon.

Angels of Thursday—Sachiel, Castiel, and Assasiel. In Paracelsus, *Talismans*, the angel of Thursday is Zachariel. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.]

Angel of Time—so called but not otherwise named in the Tarot (Tarot card No. 14). The angel of time "stands between earth and heaven, clothed in a white robe, with wings of flame and a golden halo around his head . . . one foot on land, the other on the sea, behind him the sun rising . . . on his brow the sign of eternity and life: the circle." In the hermetic hierarchy, says Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic*, the genius of time is Rempha.

Angel of the Torah [Yefefiah; Iofiel (or Yofiel); Zagzageal; Metatron]

Angel of Torment [Aftemelouchos]

Angel of Treasures [Parasiel]

Angel of the Treasures of the Dead [Remiel (i.e., Jeremiel)]

Angel Over Trees [Maktiel]

Angel of Trembling [Pahadron; also Angel of Quaking or Terror]

Angels of the Triplicities—in ceremonial magic, the angels who rule the zodiacal triplicities are: Michael (over the fiery triplicity); Raphael (over the airy triplicity); Gabriel (over the watery triplicity); and Uriel (over the earthy triplicity).

Angels of the Triune God—Meacheul, Leba-tei, Ketuel. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus; The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* (pp. 127-130).]

Angel of Truth—Amitiel; Michael; Gabriel. In Jewish legend, the angel of truth (unnamed) opposed the creation of man when God first broached the idea; for this opposition he was burned, along with the angel of peace (who also opposed the idea) and the hosts under them. Since Gabriel and Michael escaped being burned, it must have been Amitiel who was reduced to a cinder. In Muslim lore, Gabriel is the spirit of truth.

Angel of Tuesday—Samael; Satael; Amabiel; Friagne; Carmax; Arragon; and Hyniel.

Angel of Twilight [Aftiel]

Angel of Vegetables—Sealiah and Sofiel, who are also the angels over fruit.

Angels of Vengeance—the 12 angels of vengeance were among the 1st formed at Creation, although, according to Catholic doctrine, all angels were formed at one and the same time. Only 6 of these angels of vengeance are known by name—Satanel, Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael, and Nathanel (Zathael). Now, since the angels of the presence seem to be interchangeable (in Jewish lore) with the angels of vengeance, and since 12 of the former are known by name, 6 of these may be "taken over" and included in the listing of the vengeance—Suriel, Jehoel, Zagzagel, Akatriel, Metatron, and Yefefiah. The French painter Prud'hon (1758-1823) did a head of Vengeance in

his painting "Divine Vengeance and Justice Pursuing Crime," which hangs in the Louvre. The head suggests that Prud'hon had the angel Uriel in mind.

Angel of (the planet) Venus—Anael (Haniel), Hasdiel, Eurabates, Raphael, Hagiel, and Noguel.

Angel of Victory—Bahram, or Var (Adar) Bahram, who is a yazata in Parsi lore. *The Dabistan* and *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran* associate the angel of victory with the ascent of the soul of man.

Angel of Vindication—Douma(h) or Duma, who is also the angel of silence and the angel of the stillness of death. With Uzziel (Rahab), Douma was the governing *sar* (i.e., angel prince) of Egypt. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*.]

Angel of Virgo (Virgin)—Voil or Voel. According to Rabbi Chomer in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, the ruling spirits of this zodiacal sign are Iadara and Schaltiel.

Angels of (the order of) Virtues—more than a score of the angels of this order are named in G. Davidson's article, "The Celestial Virtues." Among the ruling princes of the order are Ariel, Barbiel, Haniel (Anael), Peliel, Nathanael, Atuniel.

Angel of Voyages—Susabo, who is one of the presiding genii of the 6th hour, in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Angel of War—Michael, Gabriel, and Gadriel. In the cabala there is Phaleg, called "the war lord" by Cornelius Agrippa.

Angel of Water (waters of the earth)—Tharsis or Tharsus; also Arariel, Talliud, Phul, Michael, Anafiel (all to be found in occult lore). In Persian lore, the angel of water is Harudha.

Angel of the Waters—in his cabalistic works, Cornelius Agrippa calls Phul (one of the 7 supreme spirits ruling the 196 provinces of Heaven) "the supreme lord of the waters." In Revelation 16:5, he is referred to but unnamed: "And I heard the angel of the waters say," etc. [See Arariel.]

Angel of Water Insects [Shakziel]

Angel of Weakness—Amaliel, who is also one of the angels of punishment. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*, suppl.]

Angel of Wednesday [Raphael; Miel: Seraphiel]

Angel of the West—Gabriel, who is called "the guardian of the west." [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Angel of the Wheel of the Moon—Ofaniel, among others. [Rf. Enoch.]

Angel of the Wheel of the Sun [Galgaliel]

Angel of the Whirlwind—Ra'shiel or Zavael, according to 3 Enoch. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Angel of the Wild Beasts—Mtniel, Jehiel (Hayyel). [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*; "Angelology," in *Jewish Encyclopedia*.]

Angel Over Wild Fowl and Creeping Things [Trgiaob]

Angel of the Wilderness—in Jewish cabala, and according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, the angel of the wilderness is the planet Saturn. The angel Orifiel has also been named a ruling spirit of the wilderness.

Angel of the Wind—in Revelation 7:1, there is mention of 4 angels of the wind. In occult works (M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*), in *The Book of Jubilees*, and in 3 Enoch, the following are named as angelic rulers: Moriel, Ruhiel, Rujiel, Ben Nez, and the celestial Ephemeræ. In his poem "Sandalphon" Longfellow sings of the angels of wind and of fire that "chant only one hymn and expire." Dürer engraved the 4 angels in control of the winds (see reproduction on p. 310, from Régamey's *Anges*). The cherubim were regarded as personifications of the wind. [Rf. Psalms 18:10.]

Angel of Winter—Amabael, Cetarari. The head of the sign of winter is Attaris (Altarib). [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; *The Book of Jubilees*.]

Angel of Wisdom—Zagzagel; also Metatron

(when Metatron goes under the name of Sasnigiel); also Dina (when Dina goes under the name of Yefefiah or Yofiel). According to legend, Zagzagel was ordered by God to carry Moses to a place where myriads of scholars congregated, all of them occupied with expounding the Torah. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.]

Angel of the Womb [Armisaël]

Angels of Women's Paradise—there were 9 of these female angels; they were once the mothers, wives, or daughters of the Hebrew patriarchs, and they occupied a place apart in one of the Heavens. Philo "allegorises away the wives of the Jewish patriarchs into the several Virtues" (see Philo, *About Cherubim*, chap. 13). [Rf. Conybeare, *Myth, Magic, and Morals*, p. 199.]

Angel (or Prince) of the World—Satan (see Pauline Epistles), Michael, Jehoel, Metatron, or Sar ha-Olam (which literally means, in Hebrew, prince of the world). Mammon is also described as "holding the throne of this world." [Rf. the Talmud; Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 58.]

Angels at the World's End—according to the *Revelation of Esdras* and as revealed to Esdras himself, the angels who will govern or rule "at the end of the world" are 9 in number: Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael, *Gabuthelon, *Beburos, *Zebuleon, *Aker, *Arphugitonos. Of these 9, the 5 preceded by an asterisk are found nowhere else in apocryphal or apocalyptic lore [Rf. *Ante-Nicene Fathers Library* VIII, 573]. See entry "Five Angels Who Lead the Souls of Men to Judgment."

Angels of Wrath—Hemah, Af, Mzpopiasaël, Ezrael. In the *Revelation of Moses*, the Lawgiver, during his visit to Paradise, encountered the angels of anger and wrath in the 7th Heaven and found them composed "wholly of fire." [Rf. *The Zohar* I; M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*; *Apocalypse of Peter*.] In the *Midrash Tehillim*, the angel of wrath is Kezef.

Angels of the Wrath of God—there are (or were) 7 angels of the wrath of God, as mentioned but not named in Revelation.

Angel of Yahweh—angel of the Lord, i.e., God Himself. Wherever the expression occurs in the Old Testament, it is a periphrasis. The earliest versions of the Old Testament had, in the opinion of later scribes, too many direct interventions of God in human affairs; the use of "angel of Yahweh" or "angel of the Lord" was by way of reducing His earthly appearances and the carrying out of His commands through the agency of angelic intermediaries. [Rf. Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*.]

Angel-Year—the angel-year, according to Cornelius Agrippa and other occultists, is either 145 years or 365 years.

Angel of Yetzirah—Samael or Satan. [Rf. Fuller, *The Secret Wisdom of the Qabalah*.] The word yetzirah is Hebrew for formation. In the cabala, the world consisted of 4 great divisions, of which yetzirah was one.

Angels of the Zodiac—Malahidael (over Aries), Asmodel (over Taurus), Ambriel (over Gemini), Manuel or Muriel (over Cancer), Verchiel (over Leo), Hamaliel (over Virgo), Zuriel (over Libra), Barchiel (over Scorpio), Advachiel or Adnachiel (over Sagittarius), Hamael (over Capricorn), Cambiel (over Aquarius), Barchiel (over Pisces). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.] The overall ruler of the zodiac is Masleh (q.v.). Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III, gives additional governing angels: Acrabiel, Betuliel, Chesetiel, Dagymiel, Daliel, Geminiel, Masniel, Sartamiel, Teletiel, Tomimiel.

Angerecton (Angrecton)—in the *Grimorium Verum*, a great angel, invoked in magical rites, specifically in the invocation at fumigation. He is mentioned also in Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.

Angromainyus—an early form of Ahriman, the Zoroastrian equivalent of the Judæo-Christian Satan, although he is not a fallen angel and is not subject to the overlordship of God. Angromainyus was God's opposite and opponent from the beginning (in Persian lore). In the *Zendavesta*, Angromainyus, pregnant with death, leaps from

Heaven in the form of a serpent—a form in which he is not infrequently represented. He tries to deceive Zoroaster (Zarathustra) and to cause the latter to rebel against Ahura Mazda (the Persian equivalent of the sovereign power), but fails. [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*.]

Aniel (Haniel)—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Anihel—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, one of the angel princes whom God appointed to the sword.

Animastic (the Animated)—an order of angels, “blessed souls which, by the Hebrews, is called issim, that is, nobles, lords and princes,” according to Voltaire in his “Of Angels, Genii and Devils.” Also, a presiding angel of the order referred to as “the soul of the Messiah, Meratron, soul of the world.” Animastic is, in addition, referred to as the ruling or guardian angel of Moses. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* I, 38.]

Animated, The [Animastic]

Aniquel (Anituel)—one of the 7 great princes of the spirits, represented in the form of a serpent of paradise. He serves Aniquelis (or Antiquelis). In a Vatican Faustian manual [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*] Aniquel—spelled also Aniquiel—is one of the 7 grand dukes of the infernal regions. See also *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 111.

Anitor—a high holy angel of God, invoked in magical rites after proper investiture by the invocant. [Rf. Waite, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; *Grimorium Verum*; *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Anituel [Aniquel]

Anixiel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. For the names of all 28 angels, see Appendix.

Aniyel [Anafiel]

Anmael (Chnum)—one of the leaders of the fallen angels, sometimes identified with Semyaza,

for Anmael, like Semyaza, makes a bargain with a mortal woman (Istahar) in connection with the revelation of the Explicit Name (of God). [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*; and popular legends in Talmudic lore, poetic fiction, etc.]

Annael—alternate spelling (as used by H.D. in her poem “Sagesse”) for Aniel or Anael (*q.v.*).

Annauel—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. For a list of all 72 names, see Appendix.

Anointed Cherub—the Prince of Tyre is so called in Ezekiel 28:14.

Anpiel (see Anfiel)—in rabbinic lore, an angel in charge of the protection of birds. He resides in the 6th Heaven, where he is a supervising chief of 70 gates. With 70 crowns, he (Anpiel) crowns all prayers that ascend to Heaven from the earth, and then transmits the prayers to the 7th Heaven for additional sanctification. [Rf. *The Zohar*; Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*.] In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 138, Anpiel conveyed Enoch to Heaven.

Anshe Shem (“men of name”)—in magical incantations, the fallen angels are addressed by this term (Anshe Shem) although it should be restricted to apply to 2 angels only: Azza and Azrael. [Rf. *The Zohar*; Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*.]

Ansiel (“the constrainer”)—an angel invoked in magical rites. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Antichrist—usually Beliar or Belier (*q.v.*); a term applied also to Nero. For illustration, see Grillot, *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 48.

Antiel—an angel’s name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Antiquelis [Aniquel]

Anunna—in Akkadian theology, the anunna are “angels who are almost always terrestrial spirits.” [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Anush—one of 3 ministering angels (the other 2 being Aebel and Shetel) whom God appointed to serve Adam. The celestial trio “roasted meat” for our first parent and even “cooled his wine”—according to *Yalkut Reubeni*. [Rf. *The Book of Adam and Eve*.]

Apar or **Aparsiel**—in M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*, an angel in service to Sadqiel, ruler of the 5th day.

Apharoph (Apholph, Afarof)—an angel equated with Raphael and believed to be “the only true name of God.” [Rf. *The Testament of Solomon*; *Pistis Sophia*; M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Aphiriza [Alphariza]

Aphredon—in gnosticism, a great celestial entity dwelling in the Pleroma with his 12 Just Ones. He is a ruler of the Indivisible.

Apollion (Appolyon, Apollyon)—the Greek form for the Hebrew Abaddon, meaning “destroyer.” In Revelation 9:11 Apollion is the angel of the bottomless pit. In Revelation 20:1 he “laid hold of the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years.” According to the foregoing, Apollion is a holy (good) angel, servant and messenger of God; but in occult and, generally, in noncanonical writings, he is evil—as in the last-century *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo* and the 3rd-century *The Acts of Thomas*. The term also applied to the abode of evil spirits (Hell). In Bunyan’s *Pilgrim’s Progress* Apollion is the devil. Bunyan thus describes him: “clothed with scales like a fish and wings like a dragon, feet like a bear, and out of his belly came fire and smoke.” He is so pictured by a 17th-century artist, the sketch reproduced in an early edition of *Pilgrim’s Progress*. The exegete Volter identifies Apollion with Ahriman, the Persian devil. [Rf. Charles, *Critical Commentary on the Revelation of St. John*, p. 247.] In Barrett, *The Magus*, where Apollion is pictured in color, he is distinct from Abaddon (also pictured in color). The 2 are denominated “vessels of iniquity” (i.e., fallen angels or demons). Dürer did an

engraving showing the “Angel with the Key to the Abyss,” reproduced on p. 3.

Apostate Angel—Satan. So named by Gregory the Great in his *Moralia* on Job, where he says: “Forasmuch then, as mankind is brought to the light of Repentance by the coming of the Redeemer, but the Apostate Angel is not recalled by any hope of pardon,” etc. It was Gregory’s view that man was created to replace the fallen legions of Satan.

Apparitions—according to Robert Fludd, *Utriusque cosmi majoris et minoris historia*, apparitions are one of 3 primary hierarchies (each again subdivided into 3 secondary hierarchies). [See *Acclamations*; *Voices*.]

Apragsin (Apragshih)—a divine messenger appointed by God to the sword, as listed in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. Apragsin is also known as Assi Asisih.

Apsinthus [Wormwood]

Apsu—in Babylonian mythology, Apsu is a female (?) angel of the abyss; “father” of the Babylonian gods as well as “wife” of Tamat. Apsu is finally slain by his (her) son Ea. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*; Mackenzie, *Myths of Babylonia and Assyria*.]

Apudiel—one of the 7 underworld planetary rulers, called Electors by Cornelius Agrippa. The demon Ganael serves under the joint overlordship of Apudiel and Camael. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Aputel—an invocation angel mentioned in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; also the name that a priest bore on his breast when entering the holy of holies. The name was reputed to have had the virtue, when pronounced, of reviving the dead; when engraved on vessels of gold or brass, it loosened every form of evil.

Aqrab—in Arabic mythology, an angel used for conjuring. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*.]

Aquachai (or Aqua)—a holy name—one of

the *nomina barbara*—used in Solomonic conjurations to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Arabonas—a spirit invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art, in Solomonic rites [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Araboth—the 7th Heaven, where the major experiences of Enoch occurred. Also the dwelling place of God. Here, in Araboth, dwell the seraphim, ofanim, and the angels of love, fear, grace, and dread. [Rf. *3 Enoch*; Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]

Araciel [Araquel]

Arad—an Indo-Persian angel who protects religion and science; he is mentioned in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.

Araebel—an angel of the 6th hour, serving under Samil. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Arael (Ariel)—“one of the spirits which the rabbis of the Talmud made prince over the people of the birds,” according to Malchus, *The Ancient's Book of Magic*, p. 115.

Araniel—one of the great angelic princes representing “the divine strength, majesty, and power.” [Rf. *3 Enoch* or the *Hebrew Book of Enoch*.]

Arakiba (Arakab, Aristiqifa, Artaqifa)—an evil (fallen) angel who brought sin to earth—as cited in *Enoch I*, where Arakiba is designated one of the “chiefs of ten” of the apostate troops.

Arakiel [Araquel]

Aralim [Erelim]

Aramaiti (Armaiti)—one of the 6 amesha spentas (*q.v.*), representing holy harmony. [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Araphiel (“neck of God”) one of the guardians of the 2nd hall in the 7th Heaven. “When Araphiel H’, the prince, sees Asrulyu, the prince, he removes the crown of glory from his head and falls on his face,” in obeisance. [*3 Enoch*, 18.]

Araqael [Araquel]

Araquel (Araquiel, Arakiel, Araciel, Arqael, Saraquael, Arkiel, Arkas)—one of the 200 fallen angels mentioned in *Enoch I*. Araquel taught human beings the signs of the earth. However, in the *Sibylline Oracles* (see fn. in Charles, *The Book of Enoch*, 8:3) Araquel does not seem to be a fallen angel. He is, indeed, one of the 5 angels who lead the souls of men to judgment, the other 4 angels being Ramiel, Uriel, Samiel, Aziel. The name Araquel denotes one who exercises dominion over the earth.

Arariel (Azareel, Uzziel?)—curer of stupidity and one of the 7 angels with dominion over the earth. Arariel is specifically an angel who presides over the waters of the earth (according to the Talmudists). He is invoked by fishermen so that they may, with luck, catch big fish [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*; *Universal Jewish Encyclopedia*; Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Ararita (Araritha)—a name inscribed on a cabalistic sigil in connection with Solomonic conjurations and employed to command demons; if the name is inscribed on a gold plate, the invocant is assured he will not die a sudden death. Ararita is considered to be the “verbum inenerrabile” (the ineffable word or name) of God. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Arasbarasbiel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven, as listed in *Ozar Midrashim I*, 116.

Arasek—a form of Nisroc (*q.v.*) mentioned by Josephus. [Rf. Hayley (ed.), *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.]

Arathiel—a chief angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Arathron (Aratron)—1st of the Olympian spirits governing the planet Saturn; he rules 49 of the 196 Olympic Provinces. Arathron’s sigil is pictured on p. 22 of *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*. [Rf. the *Arbatel of Magic*, and Girardius’ arcanic book (1730.)] Arathron teaches alchemy, magic, and medicine, and is able to make a person invisible. He can also cause barren women to become fertile.

Arauchia—an angel's name found inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Saturn. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Araxiel—in *Enoch I*, Araxiel is mentioned as one of the fallen angels.

Arayekael—one of the many angel princes appointed by God to the sword. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Araziel (Arazjal, Arazyal, Atriel, Esdreel, Sahariel, Seriel, Sariel, etc.,—"my moon is God")—an angel who sinned when he descended to earth to unite with mortal women. Araziel governed, with Bagdal, the sign of the Bull (Taurus). [Rf. *Enoch I*; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; *Prince of Darkness*.]

Arbatel—a "revealing" angel, mentioned in the *Arbatel of Magic*. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Arbgdor—in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* (*Sefer Raziel*), an angel that governs one of the months. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 99.]

Arbiel—an angel serving Anael, ruler of the 6th day. [Rf. M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*.]

Arcade (fictional)—in Anatole France's *Revolts of the Angels*, a guardian angel, otherwise known as Abdiel (q.v.).

Arcan—king of the angels of the air, ruler of Monday. Arcan's ministers are Bilet, Missabu. Abuhaza. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Archana—an angel who exercised dominion over the lower rays of the moon. May be the same as Arcan. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Archana—an angel's name found inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 5th pentacle of the planet Saturn. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Archangel of the Covenant—a term applied to Michael in the Coptic *Apocalypse of Paul*.

Archangel Ruin'd—Satan is so called by Milton in *Paradise Lost I*, 593.

Archangels—the term archangel applies generically to all angels above the grade of (the order of) angels; it also serves to designate a specific rank of angels in the celestial hierarchy. In the pseudo-Dionysian scheme of 9 orders or choirs, the order of archangel is placed 8th—that is, next to the last in rank, immediately above the order of angels. This is a bit confusing, since the greatest angels are referred to as archangels, as in the Old Testament, where Daniel calls Michael "one of the chief princes," which is taken to mean one of the archangels. In the New Testament the term archangels occurs only twice: in I Thessalonians and in Jude. In the latter only, however, is Michael specifically designated an archangel. In Revelation 8:2, John refers to the "seven angels who stand before God," and this is commonly interpreted to mean the 7 archangels. *The Book of Enoch* (*Enoch I*) names the 7: Uriel, Raguel, Michael, Seraquel, Gabriel, Haniel, Raphael. Later Judaism gives Phanuel as an alternate for Uriel. Other lists in apocrypha and pseudepigrapha give, as variants, such angels as Barachiel, Jehudiel, Sealtiel, Oriphiel, Zadkiel, and Anael (Haniel). The archangels, according to the *Testament of Levi*, "minister and make propitiation to the Lord for the sins of ignorance and of the righteous." The ruling prince of the order is usually given as Raphael or Michael. The Koran recognizes 4 archangels but names only 2: Gabriel (Jibril), who is the angel of revelation, and Michael, the warrior angel who fights the battle of the faithful. The 2 unnamed angels are Azrael, angel of death; and Israfil, angel of music, who will sound the trumpet (one of 3 or 4 trumpets) on the Day of Judgment. The earliest source for the names of the archangels is traced to Al-Barceloni, a writer of mystic works in the post-Talmudic period, who related them to the planets. In other writings "we meet with the conception of 12 archangels connected with the signs of the zodiac." [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel* 52a, 61a; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews V*, 24.] For the names of the 12 and their zodiacal signs, see Appendix. The cabala cites 10 archangels (actually 9) and places them in the world of Briah (2nd of the 4 created worlds), thus: Methraton, Ratziel Tzaphkiel, Tzadkiel, Kham-

ael, Mikhale, Haniel, Raphael, Gabriel, Methratton. It will be noted the Methrattin, i.e., Metatron, appears twice, heading and concluding the list of 10—or rather 9. [Rf. Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*.] “The archangels,” says Dionysius in his *Mystical Theology and the Celestial Hierarchy*, “are the messengers bearing divine decrees.”

Archangels of the 10 Sefiroth—Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*, lists the archangels of the Sefiroth as follows: 1. Methatron, for Kether (crown); 2. Ratziel, for Chokmah (wisdom); 3. Tzaphkiel, for Binah (understanding); 4. Tzadkiel, for Chesed (mercy); 5. Khamael, for Geburah (strength or fortitude); 6. Mikhael, for Tiphereth (beauty); 7. Haniel, for Netzach (victory); 8. Raphael, for Hod (splendor); 9. Gabriel, for Yesod (foundation); 10. Methatron or the Shekinah, for Malkuth (kingdom).

Archazel—an angel invoked in ritual magic by the Master of the Arts. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Archer—a governing spirit of Aquarius. Archer shares this post with Ssakmakiel. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Archistrateg (Arhistratig—“chief of hosts”)—when counseling Enoch, God call Michael “my intercessor, my archistrateg” (*Enoch I*, 33:11). The same title is given Michael (Mihail) in the Roumanian text of *The Apocalypse of Abraham*. In this apocalypse, the tears that Michael, “herald of death,” sheds over the coming demise of Abraham, “fall into a basin and turn into precious jewels.” The story is found also in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*, 300.

Archons (“rulers”)—angels set over nations and identified or equated with aeons. Shamshiel or Shemuil is “the great archon, mediator between the prayers of Israel and the princes of the 7th Heaven” [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*]. In occultism the archons are primordial planetary spirits. In Manicheanism they were the “Sons of Dark who swallowed the bright elements of Primal Man.” Scholem uses “archon” interchangeably with “great angel.” In *Major Trends* he writes that “archons and angels storm

against the traveler in his ascent [or descent] to the Merkabah.” The *Papyri Graecae Magicae* names 5 of the archons: Uriel, Michael, Raphael, Gabriel, Shamuil. In the Ophitic (gnostic) system, 7 archons are designated: Jaldabaoth, Jao, Sabaoth, Adonaïos, Astanphaïos, Ailaoïos, Oraïos. In other lists other angels appear as archons: Katspiel, Erathaol, Domiel, etc. [Rf. Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*; Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Arciciah—an angel of earth, cited in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Ardarel—in occult lore, the angel of fire. Cf. Gabriel, Nathanel, etc. [Rf. Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*.]

Ardefiel or Ardesiel—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Ardibehist—in ancient Persian religion, the angel of April and one of the amesha spentas. Ardibehist governed the 3rd day of the month. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, pp. 35, 136.]

Ardors—a term used in *Paradise Lost* V, 249 as an order of angels, among whom Milton counts Raphael. In de Vigny's poem “Eloa,” ardors is also spoken of as an order in the celestial hierarchy.

Ardouisur (Arduisher)—in Zoroastrianism, Ardouisur is a female ized (i.e., cherub). Among the attributes of this cherub is making females prolific and giving them easy childbirth, and even supplying them with breast milk. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 167.] Her title is “giver of living water,” says King in *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 106.

Ardour (Ardur)—an angel ruling the month of Tammuz (June-July), according to Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Arehanah—the name of an angel inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Saturn. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Arel—an angel of fire. The name Arel is found inscribed on the 7th pentacle of the sun. In



Angels at the Tomb of Christ by Edouard Manet. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, Arel is an angel invoked in ritual magic.

Arel(l)im [Erelim]

Arfiel—another name for the angel Raphael. In *Pirke Hechaloth*, Arfiel is an angelic guard stationed in the 2nd Heaven. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*, supp.]

Argeniton—an angel mentioned in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.

Arghiel—an angel invoked in magical rites. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*.]

Arhistratig [Archistrategus]

Arhum Hii (Rhum)—in Mandaean lore, one of the *malki* (*uthri*, angels) of the North Star.

Arias—an angel who rules over sweet-smelling herbs. In occultism, Arias is regarded as a demon and is one of the 12 marquises of the infernal empire. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Ariel (Arael, Arael, meaning "lion of God")—the name of an angel in the apocryphal *Ezra*; also in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, the *Grand Grimoire*, and other tracts of magic, where he is pictured as lion-headed. Cornelius Agrippa says: "Ariel is the name of an angel, sometimes also of a demon, and of a city, whence called Ariopolis, where the idol is worshipped." In Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, Ariel ranks as one of 7 princes who rule the waters and is "Earth's great Lord." Jewish mystics used Ariel as a poetic name for Jerusalem. In the Bible the name denotes, variously, a man, a city (Isaiah 29), and an altar. In occult writings Ariel is the "3rd archon of the winds." Mention is also made of Ariel as an angel who assists Raphael in the cure of disease. [Rf. M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*.] In the Coptic *Pistis Sophia*, Ariel is in charge of punishment in the lower world, corresponding with Ur of the Mandaeans (*q.v.*). In *The Testament of Solomon*, he controls demons. In gnostic lore generally he is a ruler of winds and equated with Ialdabaoth as an older name for this god. In practical cabala he is regarded as originally of the order of virtues. According to John Dee,

astrologer royal in Queen Elizabeth's day, Ariel is a conglomerate of Anael and Uriel. In *The Tempest*, Shakespeare casts Ariel as a sprite. To Milton he is a rebel angel, overcome by the seraph Abdiel in the first day of fighting in Heaven. The poet Shelley referred to himself as Ariel, and André Maurois is the author of a life of Shelley called *Ariel*. Sayce ("Athenaeum," October 1886) sees a connection between Ariel and the arelim (erelim), the valiant ones spoken of in Isaiah 33:7, an order of angels equated with the order of thrones. [Rf. *Texts of the Saviour*; Butler, *Ritual Magic*; Bonner, *Studies in Magical Amulets*.]

Ariman [Ahriman]

Arioc (Ariukh, Oriockh)—in Jewish legend, a guardian angel of the ancestors or offspring of Enoch, appointed by God to preserve the Enoch writings. In Genesis, Arioc is the name of an executioner. [See Arioch.]

Arioch ("fierce lion")—a demon of vengeance, a follower of Satan, a fallen angel (as in *Paradise Lost* VI, where he is overthrown by the angel Abdiel during the war in Heaven). In Nash, *Pierce Penniless*, reference is made to "the great Arioch that is termed the spirit of revenge." [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, 1863 ed., where Arioch is pictured as the bat-winged demon of vengeance; *The Ancient's Book of Magic*.]

Ariukh [Oriockh]

Arkhas—from the invisible depths God summons Arkhas "firm and heavy and very red" and commands this primordial spirit to be divided. And when Arkhas divided himself, "the world came forth, very dark and great, bringing the creation of all things below." This account of the formation (not the creation) of the earth is found in *Enoch II*, 26.

Armaita (Aramaiti, Armaiti)—in Persian mythology, one of the 6 or 7 amesha spentas or archangels. She is the spirit of truth, wisdom, and goodness who became incarnate and visited the earth "to help the good." [Rf. *Grundriss der iranischen Philologie* III; Forlong, *Encyclopedia of*

Religions; Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Armaros (Armers, Pharmaros, Abaros, Arearos)—one of the fallen angels as listed in *Enoch I*. Armaros taught “the resolving of enchantments.” According to R. H. Charles, the term Armaros may be a corruption of Araros.

Armas—an angel invoked in magical rites at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 102.]

Armasa (“the great lord”)—an angel in Aramaic incantations, cited in Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*.

Armaziel (Armisaël?)—a gnostic entity mentioned in *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 198.

Armen (Ramiel? Arakiel? Baraqel?)—one of the fallen angels listed in *Enoch I*, 69.

Armers (see Armaros)—the name occurs in Mark Van Doren’s poem “The Prophet Enoch,” where Armers is included among the fallen angels.

Armesi—an angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under the suzerainty of the angel Oriël. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 68.]

Armesiel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 69, an angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa.

Armiel—an angel officer of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariël.

Armies—a term for one of the celestial orders, as used by Milton in *Paradise Lost*. [Rf. West, *Milton and the Angels*, p. 135.]

Armimas (Armimimas)—an angel invoked in magical rites at the close of the Sabbath. Cf. Hermes or Ormuzd. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 100.]

Armisaël—angel of the womb. In Talmud it is recommended that, to ease a confinement, one should recite Psalm 20 nine times, but if this does not prove efficacious, then one should try the following invocation: “I conjure you, Armisaël,

angel who governs the womb, that you help this woman and the child in her body.” [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 202.]

Armogen [Harmozei]

Armon—one of the angels of the 2nd chora or altitude invoked in magic prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*.

Arphugitonos—one of the 9 angels who will rule “at the end of the world,” according to the *Revelation of Esdras*. [Rf. *The Ante-Nicene Fathers* 8, 573.] For the names of the other 8 angels, see *Angels at the End of the World*.

Arsyalalyur—an angel sent to Enoch with a special message from God; also to Lamech’s son Noah to warn him of the impending flood, according to *The Book of Adam and Eve*. The name is a corruption or amalgamation of Israel and Uriel. [Rf. *Enoch I*, 10 (Dillman’s text).]

Artakifa—an archangel mentioned in Enoch lore.

Aruru—in Sumerian mythology, a female messenger of the gods who created man from clay. She was the mother of the hero Gilgamesh.

Arvial (Avial)—one of the angels guarding the 4th Heaven. Cited in *Ozar Midrashim I*, 116.

Arzal (Arzel)—one of the 4 angels of the east who are “glorious and benevolent angels” invoked when the invocant wishes to partake of the secret wisdom of the Creator. See *Clavicula Salomonis*.

Asac(h)—an angel invoked in magical prayer. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Asacro (Asarca)—in black magic, an angel invoked in prayer and conjuration rites.

Asael (“whom God made”)—an angel under Semyaza who cohabited with the daughters of men; hence, a fallen angel. [See Azazel.]

Asaliah—in the cabala, an angel of the order of virtues, under the ethnarchy of Raphael. He has dominion over justice. In *The Magus* he is one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God

Shemhamphorae. His sigil is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 281.

Asamkis—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Asaph (Asaf)—leader, at night, of hosts of angels in the chanting of hymns to God—just as the angel Heman leads the hosts in morning chants, and Jeduthun leads in evening chants. [Rf. *The Zohar* (Kedoshim).] Psalms 50 and 73–83 are ascribed to Asaph. In Jewish legend, Asaph was the father of medicine. Nahmanides in his *Torat ha-Adam* refers to “the Jew Asaf” and his book on healing.

Asarca [Asacro]

Asariel (“whom God has bound,” i.e., by an oath)—one of the 28 angels ruling over the 28 mansions of the moon.

Asasiah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Asasiel—angel of Thursday, who shares his rule with Sachiel and Cassiel. Asasiel is also one of the presiding spirits of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*; *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Asath (Asach)—an angel invoked in Solomonic magical rites. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Asbeel (“deserter from God”)—in *Enoch I*, Asbeel is included among the fallen angels. “He imparted to the holy sons of God evil counsel and led them astray through the daughters of men.”

Asbogah [Azbugay YHWH]

Ascobai—in Solomonic magical operations, an angel summoned in exorcisms of Wax. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Asderel (Asredel, Asradel Shariel)—the name is a corruption of Sahariel. Asderel is an evil archangel who taught the course of the moon. [Rf. Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*.]

Asentacer—corresponding angel for the angel Lelabel.

Aseu—corresponding angel for the angel Anaue.

Asfa'el (“God adds”)—in *Enoch I* and *Enoch II*, Asfa'el is a luminary of one of the months and “head of a thousand.” Charles in *The Book of Enoch* refers to Asfa'el as a “chiliarch who has to do with the intercalary day under one of the 4 leaders.” Asfa'el is said to be an inversion of Hilujaseph or Joseph-el.

Ashael X—an invocation angel, mentioned in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Ashamdon—variant for Shamdan (*q.v.*). [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 171.]

Asha Vahishta—in Zoroastrian lore, one of the 6 amesha spentas (*q.v.*). An archangel of righteousness. [Rf. *Grundriss der iranischen Philologie III*.]

Ashkanizkael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Ashmedai (Ashmodai, Asmodée, Asmadai, Asmodeus, Chammaday, Sydonay, etc.)—in rabbinic lore, a messenger of God, hence an angel. However, being an opponent of Solomon and ruler of the south, with 66 legions of spirits under him, he is usually regarded as an evil spirit himself, some occult sources going so far as to identify him with the serpent who seduced Eve in the garden of Eden. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] Good or evil, angel or demon, he is not considered harmful; he has been characterized as a cherub, “prince of sheddim,” and as “the great philosopher.” [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*; Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.]

Ashmodiel—in occultism, a zodiacal angel governing the sign of Taurus. [Rf. Jobs, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Ashraud—“a prince over all the angels and Caesars,” according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Ashriel (Azrael, Azriel, Azariel—“vow of God”)—one of the 7 angels with dominion over

the earth. He is the angel who separates the soul from the body at death. In the cabala, he is invoked as a curer of stupidity. See writings of Moses Botarel.

Ashrulyu (Ashrulyai, Asrulyu—"who causes to dwell")—a great angelic prince, one of the 20 names of the godhead, residing in the 1st Heaven. He is president of the institute of learning and one of the *sarim* (princes) of the Torah. See Yefefiah. [Rf. 3 Enoch.]

Ashu [Sirushi]

Asiel ("created of God")—in *Esdras II*, an apocryphal work, Asiel is one of 5 "men" (i.e., angels) appointed by God to transcribe the 204 books dictated by Ezra. The other 4 "men" were Dabria (Ecanus), Selemia, Selecucia, and Sarea (Sarga). Of the books, 70 were to be delivered or made available only to the wise among men; the rest of the books were for use by the general public. In *The Testament of Solomon* Asiel is a fiend who detects thieves and can reveal hidden treasure. He figures in a talisman against sudden death reproduced in Grillot, *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 342.

Asimon (Atimon)—an angel listed in *Malache Elyon* (*Angels on High*), where reference is made to *The Zohar*.

Asimor—in hechaloth lore, Asimor is one of 7 angelic princes of power, the other 6 being Kalmiya, Boel, Psachar, Gabriel, Sandalphon, and Uzziel. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*, p. 17.]

Asiyah [Assiah]

Asmadai—one of the 2 "potent thrones," as cited in Milton's *Paradise Lost* VI, 365. Uriel and Raphael succeed in vanquishing Asmadai (along with Adramalec), 2 powers, says Milton, "to be less than Gods/Disdain'd." (See Asmoday.)

Asmodal—an angel dealt with in Solomonian Wax exorcisms. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Asmoday (Ashmeday, Asmodius, Sydoney)—a fallen angel "who has wings and flies about, and

has knowledge of the future," according to Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 377. Asmoday teaches mathematics and can make men invisible. He "giveth the ring of Vertues" and governs 72 legions of infernal spirits. When invoked, he manifests as a creature with 3 heads (bull, ram, man). Asmoday is a character in John Dryden's dramatic poem, *The State of Innocence*. A variant spelling of the name is Hasmoday, who is one of the demons of the moon. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Butler, *Ritual Magic*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Asmodee (see Ashmedai)—a French form for Asmodeus and (according to De Plancy) identical with Sammael or Satan.

Asmodel—in ceremonial magic, the angel with dominion over the month of April. He is also (as cited in Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*) ruler of the zodiacal sign of Taurus. (See Tual, Hamabiel.) Formerly, Asmodel was one of the chiefs of the order of cherubim. He is now a demon of punishment (as recorded in the Coptic gnostic *Pistis Sophia*). The cabala includes him among the 10 evil sefiroth (*q.v.*). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Asmodeus ("creature of judgment")—the name is derived from ashma daeva (see Asmoday, Chammaday). Asmodeus is a Persian rather than a Jewish devil; however, incorporated into Jewish lore, he is there regarded as an evil spirit. According to Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*, Asmodeus is "the talmudic Ashmedai, a demon borrowed from the Zend Aeshmadeva," a "raging fiend" (*The Book of Tobit* 3:8). It was Ashmadai (Ashmedai), says Forlong, who made Noah drunk, and who, in *Tobit*, slew the 7 bridegrooms of the young Sarah, and who, overcome by the angel Raphael, was finally "banished to upper Egypt." In demonology, Asmodeus in Hell is controller of all gaming houses. Wierus the demonographer says Asmodeus must be invoked only when the invocant is bareheaded, otherwise the demon will trick him. Barrett, *The Magus II*, pictures Asmodeus in color as one of the "Vessels of Wrath."

In Le Sage's romance *The Devil on Two Sticks* Asmodeus is the main character. In James Branch Cabell's *The Devil's Own Dear Son*, Asmodeus is the son of Adam's first wife Lilith by Samael. However, in *The Book of the Sacred Magic of Abra-Melin the Mage*, we find this report: "Some rabbins say that Asmodeus was the child of the incest of Tubal-Cain and his sister Naamah; others say he was the demon of impurity." Jewish lore charges Asmodeus with being the father-in-law of the demon Bar Shalmon [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 510]. In Solomonic legends, Asmodeus also goes by the name of Saturn, Marcolf or Morolf. He is credited with being the inventor of carousels, music, dancing, drama, "and all the new French fashions." [Rf. Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*; *Malleus Maleficarum* (p. 30); Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils."]

Asradel [Asderel]

Asrael—an angel in a 4-act opera of that name composed by Alberto Franchetti, with libretto by Fontana. Based on the old Flemish legend, Asrael falls in love with another angel called Nefta (female), loses her, and finally is reunited with her in Heaven. The opera had its first American performance in 1890 at the Metropolitan in New York.

Asrafil—in Arabic lore, the angel of the last judgment. A "terrible angel," says De Plancy, who includes Asrafil in his *Dictionnaire Infernal* (ed. 1863) as a demon and pictures him as such. Often mistaken for Azrael, angel of death.

Asriel X (or Asrael X—"vow of God")—chief of the 63 angel-guardians of the 7 Heavens. In hechaloth lore, Asriel X is an invocation angel. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*; "Angel" in *New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia*.]

Asron—one of numerous guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Assad—in Arabic lore, an angel invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, p. 152.]

Assafsisiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Assarel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Asser Criel—an unutterable name (of a spirit) engraven on the breastplate of Moses and Aaron, according to the cabala. Whoever, it is said, wears the breastplate so engraved will not die a sudden death. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Assi Asisih—a messenger of the Lord's sword sent to man. [Rf. *The Sword of Moses*, p. 30.]

Assiah (Asiyah)—in cabalistic cosmology, one of the lowest of the 4 worlds, "the world of making," or the world of action, the world of Oliphoth, that is, the world of shells or demons. It is the abode of Sammael, prince of darkness. [Rf. Fuller, *The Secret Wisdom of the Qabalah*.]

Assiel—angel of healing, as cited in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* and in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*, suppl. [Cf. Raphael.]

Assimonem—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 45, the Assimonem are angels invoked in Solomonic conjurations to command demons to confer on the invocant the gift of invisibility.

Astachoth (Astrachios, Astroschio)—an angel invoked in the exorcism of water. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Astad—in ancient Persian lore, the angel of the 26th day of each month. Astad was found at the 64th gate (of the 100 gates) of Paradise. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 166.]

Astagna (Astrgna)—as listed in Barrett, *The Magus*, an angel resident in the 5th Heaven. He rules on Tuesday. When invoking this angel the invocant must face west.

Astaniel—one of the chief angel-princes appointed by God to the sword.

Astanphaeus (Astaphaeus, Astaphai, Astaphaios)—in gnostic lore, one of the 7 elohim

(angels) of the presence. In the Ophitic system, he is a Hebdomad—one of the 7 potentates or archons engendered by the god Ildabaoth “in his own image.” He is also lord of the 3rd gate “leading to the aeon of the archons” (according to Origen in *Contra Celsum*, who claims the name derives from the art of magic). Astanphaeus is likewise declared to be one of the 7 sons of Sydik (Melchisedec). On the other hand, the name is said to be a variant form of Satan. In Phoenician theogony, Astanphaeus is a primordial power. C. W. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains* (pp. 214–215), declares Astanphaeus to be “the Jewish angel of the planet Mercury” and of Magian origin. King reproduces a gnostic gem (Plate VI) with the name of Astanphaeus inscribed on it. [Rf. “Gnosticism” in *Catholic Encyclopedia*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*.]

Astaribo—a name for Lilith in medieval magic.

Astaroth (Asteroth)—once a seraph, Astaroth is now, according to Waite, *The Lemegeton*, a great duke in the infernal regions. There he “discourses willingly on the fall [of the angels] but pretends that he himself was exempt from their lapse” (see Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*). “In the Greek language,” says Barrett in *The Magus I*, “Astaroth is called Diabolus.” When Astaroth is invoked, he manifests as “a beautiful angel astride a dragon and carrying a viper in his right hand.” His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*. Before Astaroth fell, he was (declares the *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*) a prince of the order of thrones. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, maintains, to the contrary, that he belonged to the order of seraphim. Voltaire finds that Astaroth was an ancient god of Syria. According to the *Grimorium Verum*, Astaroth has set up residence in America. “In the English tradition,” says De Plancy, Astaroth was “one of the 7 princes of Hell who visited Faust.”

Astarte (Ashteroth, Ashtoreth, Ishtar-Venus, etc.)—chief female deity of the ancient Phoenicians, Syrians, Carthaginians. Astarte was a Syrian moon goddess of fertility. As Ashteroth

she was worshipped by the Jews in times when idolatry was prevalent in Palestine: “Ashtoreth, the abomination of the Zidonians” (II Kings, 23:13), the Zidonians being the Phoenicians. Jeremiah called Ashtoreth the “queen of heaven.” The Greeks borrowed their Aphrodite from Astarte. Finally, Astarte shows up, in occult lore, as the demon for the month of April. In *Paradise Lost* (I, 438), Astarte is a fallen angel, equated with Astoreth. [Rf. Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* IV, 138; and near-Eastern mythologies.]

Astel—a spirit operating on the planet Saturn. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Asteraoth—one of the 7 great planetary rulers; an angel who was able to overcome the demoness called Powers (one of the 7 demonesses summoned by King Solomon, according to legend). [Rf. 3 *Enoch*; Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Astiro—the corresponding angel for Mehiel (q.v.).

Astm (surname Kunya X)—one of the 14 conjuring angels mentioned in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. Astm is also one of the ineffable names of God.

Astoreth—in *Paradise Lost* I, 438, Astoreth is a fallen angel. She is equated with Astarte.

Astrachios (see Astachoth)—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Astrachios is called Herachio. He is an angel invoked in the exorcism of the water. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Astrael Iao Sabao—also known simply as Israel or Astrael. He is an angel whose name is found inscribed on magical amulets. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*; Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Astrompsuchos (Etrempsuchos, also Strempsuchos)—in the Bodleian *Bruce Papyrus*, Astrompsuchos is a celestial guardian of one of the 7 Heavens. Hippolytus gives the name as one of the powers worshipped by the Peratae. [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* I, 107 fn.]

Astrigna [Astagna]

Astrocon—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Astroniel—an angel of the 9th hour of the day, serving under Vadriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Asuras or **Ahuras**—angels in Aryan lore; in Hindu lore, esoterically, the azuras became evil spirits and lower gods who waged war eternally with the great deities (the suryas); they were once gods of the Secret Wisdom, and may be compared to the fallen angels of Christian doctrine. [Rf. Hunter, *History of India*, chap. 4; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 77.]

Ataf—an evil angel who is invoked to overcome an enemy, as recorded in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. He is effective in separating a husband from his wife.

Ata'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Ataliel (Atliel)—one of the 28 angels who rule over the 28 Mansions of the Moon. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Ataphiel—an angel who supports heaven with 3 fingers. [Rf. Barattiel in *3 Enoch*.]

Atar ("fire" in Zend and Sanskrit)—a Zoroastrian genius of fire and chief of the celestial beings called Yazatas (*q.v.*). [Rf. Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Atarculph—according to Voltaire in his "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils," Atarculph was one of the leaders of the fallen angels as listed in *Enoch*.

Atarniel (see Atrugiel).

Atarph—corresponding angel for Hahaiah (*q.v.*).

Atatiah—a secret name for Michael or Metatron. [Rf. *Visions of Ezekiel*; Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*; *Sefer ha-Heshek*.]

Atbah—in gnosticism, a secret name for the dekas, who are great archons. [Rf. *Lesser Hechaloth*.]

Atbah Ah—lord of hosts, invoked by the angel Akatriel. See hechaloth text, Oxford MS., referred to in Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.

Atel—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, an angel of the 4th Heaven, an angel of the air ruling on Lord's Day, invoked from the east.

Atembui—corresponding angel for Mumiah (*q.v.*).

Aterchinis—an angel of an hour, and corresponding angel for Teiazal (*q.v.*). [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.] "H. D." mentions Aterchinis in her poem "Sagesse."

Aterestin—a most holy name (of an angel or of God) invoked in the discovery of hidden treasure. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Athamas—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Athanatos—a conjuring spirit of the planet Mercury; a name of God used in the discovery of hidden treasure; in the cabala, a spirit invoked in the general citation of Moses, Aaron, and Solomon. [Rf. Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*.]

Atheniel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 Mansions of the Moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Athoth—in gnosticism, one of the 12 powers engendered by Iadabaoth (*q.v.*).

Atiel—one of the chief angel-princes of the Sword; mentioned in *Malache Elyon* as equated with A'hiei. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Atliel [Ataliel]

Atmon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Atriel [Araziel]

Atropatos—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Atrugiel (Atrigiel, Atarniel, Tagriel, Atrugniel)—a guardian angel of the 7th heavenly hall. (See Kafziel.) Atrugiel is one of the names of Metatron.

Atrugniel [Atrugiel]

Atsaftsaf and **Atshatsah**—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), angelic guards of the 6th heavenly hall.

Atsiluth (or Atziluth)—in cabalistic cosmogony, the world of emanation, i.e., highest of the 4 worlds, the residence of God and the superior angels.

Attarib (or Attaris)—one of the 4 angels of winter and head of the sign of winter. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

At-Taum ("the twin")—in Manicheanism, the angel from whom Mani received revelations; he is identified with the Holy Ghost in Christian doctrine. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Atuesuel—in the cabala, one of the 8 angels of omnipotence. He is invoked "to smoke out the monsters of hell" in the special citation of Leviathans, as set forth in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Atufiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Atuniel ("furnace")—an angel of fire in rabbinic angelology; also, one of the angels belonging to the order of virtues. Atuniel is to be compared with Nathanel (*q.v.*). [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI.]

Aub—an angel's name found inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 81.] When Aub is invoked, versicle 13 from Psalm 40 should be recited: "Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me."

Auel (or Amet)—an angel of the sun invoked by cabalists in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Aufiel (Auphiel)—an angel with dominion over birds. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Aufniel [Ofniel]

Auphanim [Ofanim]

Aupiel (Anafiel)—a variant spelling, considered the correct one, for Anafiel, the great angel who bore Enoch to Heaven when the antediluvian patriarch was still in the flesh. Aupiel is the tallest angel in Heaven, exceeding Metatron (the next tallest) by many hundred parasangs. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 138, where the translation of Enoch to Heaven by Aupiel is recounted, he is called "the angel Anviel."

Auriel (Oriël; Hebrew for Uriel, "light of God")—one of the 72 angels of the 72 quinquaries of the degrees of the zodiac, invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. Runes, *Wisdom of the Kabbala*.]

Aurkhi Be-Ram El—an angel who had sexual relations with mortal women before the Flood, according to the story in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*. Probably the same as the fallen angel Ramiel in Enoch lore.

Ausiul (Ausiel)—an angel with dominion over Aquarius (water carrier). Ausiul is invoked in ceremonial magic rites. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemington*.]

Authorities—alternate term for powers or virtues, or a distinct order of angels (pre-Dionysian) and not the equivalent of powers or virtues. In the *Constitution of the Apostles* (liturgy of the Mass called Clementina) and in John of Damascus, the orders powers (*dunamis*) and authorities (*exousia*) are considered 2 distinct orders. Enumerating the 9 Dionysian orders in *Exposition of the Orthodox Faith* (*De Fide Orthodoxa*) John of Damascus gives powers as 5th and authorities (virtues) as 6th in the sequence. In the *Testament of Levi* the authorities dwell in the 4th Heaven,

where the thrones dwell also. [Rf. Caird, *Principalities and Powers*; Dionysius, *Celestial Hierarchy*; also Appendix, "The Orders of the Celestial Hierarchy."]

Autogenes—in gnostic lore, Autogenes is an aeon around whom stand 4 great luminaries: Harmozel (Armogen), Daveithe, Oroiael (Uriel?), Eleleth. [Rf. *Apocryphon of John*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*, p. 43.]

Autopator—one of the 3 powers established by the Virgin (Pistis Sophia?) of the lower world and entrusted with the hidden things reserved for the perfect. [Rf. *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Auza (Azza, Oza)—a son of the elohim (a son of God), one of the fallen angels who had carnal knowledge of the daughters of men—an incident touched on in Genesis 6. [Rf. Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*, p. 249.]

Auzael [Azazel, Auza]

Auzhaya (Avzhia)—a prince of the divine countenance; one of the many names of the angel Metatron (*q.v.*). [Rf. hechaloth text (Oxford MS.) mentioned in Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, p. 53.]

Avagbag—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Avahel—a prince of angels residing in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Avartiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Avatar—in Vedic lore, the avatar was the human or animal incarnation of a deity. There were 10 of these angelic beings, associated chiefly with the 1st avatar, Vishnu. The other 9 are usually listed as Kurmavatar (the tortoise avatar); Barah (the bear avatar); Narsinha (man-lion avatar and lord of heroism); Vamana (dwarf

avatar and lord of reason); Paras u Rama (Parasuram) or Chirangivah the immortal; Ram Avatar (Rama or Ramachandra); Krisn Avatar (Krishna); Budh Avatar (Buddha); Kalki Avatar. All these are past, except Kalki the 10th avatar, who will appear in the form of a white horse with wings and come at the end of the 4 ages to destroy the earth. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, pp. 180–183.]

Avenging Angels—the 1st angels created by God, also known as the angels of destruction. The chief dwells in the 5th Heaven, according to Jewish legend. Traditionally there were 12 avenging angels. [See *Angels of Vengeance*.]

Avial—an angelic guard stationed before one of the halls (palaces) of the 7 Heavens. Avial is named in the *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Avirzahe'e—a beloved but fearsome angel-prince guardian stationed at the gate leading to the 6th Heaven—according to the scholar Nachunya ben ha-Kane. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*.]

Avitue—one of the 18 names of Lilith in rabbinic lore. [Rf. Hanauer, *Folk-Lore of the Holy Land*, p. 325.]

Avniel—one of the chief angel-princes appointed by God to the Sword. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses XI*.]

Avriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Avtsangosh—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Avzhia [Auzhaya]

Awar (El Awar)—one of the sons of Eblis (*q.v.*); called the demon of lubricity.

Awel, Awitel, Awoth—angels invoked in cabalistic conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Axineton—an angelic entity; by pronouncing his name God created the world. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 33.]

Ayar Ziva [Ram Khasra]

Ayib—a spirit of the planet Venus whose name is found inscribed on the 4th pentacle of that planet. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 73.]

Ayil—angel of Sagittarius. In ceremonial magic the angel is Sizajasel. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 251.]

Ayscher—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a ministering angel summoned up by cabalists in magical operations.

Aza [Azza]

Azael (Asiel, “whom God strengthens”)—one of 2 fallen angels (Aza is the other) who cohabited with Naamah, Lamech’s daughter, and sired the sedim, Assyrian guardian spirits. [Rf. *The Zohar*.] Azael, it is reported, is chained in a desert where he will remain until the day of judgment. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.] In *Midrash Petirat Mosheh*, Azael is mentioned as one of 2 angels (the other being Ouza) who came down from Heaven and was corrupted. Cornelius Agrippa, in his *Occult Philosophy*, lists 4 evil angels as the opposites of the 4 holy rulers of the elements; among the evil ones Azael is included. Schwab in his *Vocabulaire de l’Angélologie* identifies Sham-hazai (Semyaza) with Azael (Asiel), guardian of hidden treasures.

Azaf [Asaph]

Azar (Azur)—angel of November in ancient Persian theogony. Azar governed the 9th day of the month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Azaradel—in *The Book of Enoch* (*Enoch I*) Azaradel is one of the fallen angels who taught men the motions of the moon.

Azazel—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 5th pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Azargushtasp/Azarkhurdad—two of the amesha spentas (Zoroastrian archangels) who are regarded “closest to the just God,” in ancient

Persian religious lore. [Rf. Shea and Troyer, *The Dabistan*, p. 136.]

Azariah or **Azarias** (“whom God helps”)—a name that the archangel Raphael assumes in *The Book of Tobit*. Later in the tale, Raphael reveals his true identity as “one of the 7 angels who stand by and enter before the glory of the Lord.”

Azariel—in Talmud, Azariel is the angel governing the waters of the earth. In occult lore he is listed among the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Azazel (Azael, Hazazel, “God strengthens”)—in *Enoch I*, Azazel is one of the chiefs of the 200 fallen angels (Revelation speaks of one-third of the heavenly host being involved in the fall). Azazel “taught men to fashion swords and shields” while women learned from him “finery and the art of beautifying the eyelids.” He is the scapegoat in rabbinic literature, Targum, and in Leviticus 16:8, although in the latter he is not actually named. In *The Zohar* (Vayeze 153a) the rider on the serpent is symbolized by “the evil Azazel.” Here he is said to be chief of the order of bene elim (otherwise ischim, lower angels, “men-spirits”). Irenaeus calls Azazel “that fallen and yet mighty angel.” In *The Apocalypse of Abraham* he is “lord of hell, seducer of mankind,” and here his aspect, when revealed in its true form, shows him to be a demon with 7 serpent heads, 14 faces, and 12 wings. Jewish legend speaks of Azazel as the angel who refused to bow down before Adam (in the Koran the angel is Eblis or Iblis) when the 1st human was presented to God to the assembled hierarchs in Heaven. For such refusal, Azazel was thenceforth dubbed “the accursed Satan.” [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 278.] According to the legend in Islamic lore, when God commanded the angels to worship Adam, Azazel refused, contending “Why should a son of fire [i.e., an angel] fall down before a son of clay [i.e., a mortal]?” Whereupon God cast Azazel out of Heaven and changed his name to Eblis. Milton in *Paradise Lost* I, 534 describes Azazel as “a cherub tall,” but also as a fallen angel and Satan’s standard bearer.

Originally, according to Maurice Bouisson in *Magic; Its History and Principal Rites*, Azazel was an ancient Semitic god of the flocks who was later degraded to the level of a demon. [Rf. Trevor Ling, *The Significance of Satan in New Testament Demonology*.] Bamberger in *Fallen Angels* inclines to the notion that the first star which fell (star here having the meaning of angel) was Azazel.

Azaziel—another name for the seraph Semyaza. In Byron's poem "Heaven and Earth, a Mystery" the legend is told of a pious maiden named Anah, granddaughter of Cain, who tempts Azaziel to reveal to her the Explicit Name. In the poem, Azaziel carries Anah off, at the time of the flood, to a planet other than the earth.

Azbogah [Azbuga YHWH]

Azbuga YHWH ("strength")—one of the 8 great angel princes of the throne of judgment and of a rank superior to that of Metatron (*q.v.*). "Originally," says Gershom Scholem, "Asbogah was a secret name of God in his highest sphere." His chief duty, it appears, was to clothe with righteousness the new arrivals in Heaven—those, that is, who were deemed worthy. A late Hebrew charm contains Asbogah's name as one to be invoked for the "healing of all illness and all hurt and all evil spirit." [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 161; *Enoch*; and the lesser hechaloth tracts mentioned by Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.]

Azdai—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Azer—angel of elemental fire; also the name of Zoroaster's father. [Rf. *The Ancient's Book of Magic*.]

Azfiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 1st of the 7 heavenly halls.

Azibeel—one of the 200 angels who, according to *Enoch I*, descended from Heaven to cohabit with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6. Azibeel thereupon became a fallen angel.

Aziel [Azael]

Aziziel—an angel in Syriac incantation rites. In *The Book of Protection*, Aziziel is grouped with Michael, Harshiel, Prukiel, and other "spellbinding angels."

Azkariel—a corruption of Ak(h)raziel (*q.v.*). [Rf. *II Petirat Mosheh*, pp. 376–377; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI, 147.]

Azkeel—one of the leaders of the 200 fallen angels, in the Enoch listings, who descended from Heaven to cohabit with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6.

Azriel X—an invocation angel, one of 14; also one of the ineffable names of God. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Azrael (Azrail, Ashriel, Azriel, Azaril, Gabriel, etc.—"whom God helps")—in Hebrew and Islamic lore, the angel of death, stationed in the 3rd Heaven. To the Moslems, Azrael is another form of Raphael. In their tradition, he has "70,000 feet and 4,000 wings, while his body is provided with as many eyes and tongues as there are men in the world." [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 617.] In Arabic tradition, Azrael is "forever writing in a large book and forever erasing what he writes; what he writes is the birth of a man, what he erases is the name of the man at death." When Michael, Gabriel, and Israfael failed to provide 7 handfuls of earth for the creation of Adam, the 4th angel on this mission, Azrael, succeeded; and because of this feat he was appointed to separate body from soul. [Cf. Murdad, the *angelus mortis* in ancient Persian lore.] Oriental legend has it that Azrael accomplishes his mission (i.e., bringing death first and separation afterward) by holding an apple from the Tree of Life to the nostril of the dying person. In Jewish mysticism, Azrael is the embodiment of evil. In *The Book of Protection* he is one of 3 holy angels (the other 2 being Gabriel and Michael) invoked in Syriac charms. He is the angel of death in Longfellow's poem "The Spanish Jew's Tale" and, in the popular edition of *The Complete Poetical Works of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*, he is

pictorially represented with King Solomon entertaining a "rajah of Hindostan."

Azra'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Azriel—a chief angel supervisor referred to as "Azriel the Ancient," sometimes as "Mahniel" (meaning mighty camp), as in *The Zohar* (Exodus 202a). Here he commands 60 myriads of legions of spirits and is stationed on the northern side of Heaven, where he receives prayers. In *Ozar Midrashim* I, 85, Azriel is one of the chief angels of destruction. His name is found inscribed on oriental charms (*kameoth*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Azur [Azar]

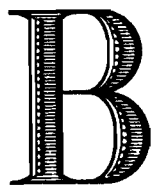
Azza (Shem-yaza, "the strong")—a fallen angel who is, according to rabbinic tradition, suspended between Heaven and earth (along with Azrael) as punishment for having had carnal knowledge of mortal women. Azza (Shemyaza, meaning "the name Azza") is said to be constantly falling, with one eye shut, the other open, so that he can see his plight and suffer the more. There is another explanation for Azza's expulsion from Heaven: it is that he objected to the high rank given Enoch when the latter was transformed from a mortal into the angel Metatron (see Iblis or Eblis). In

Solomonic lore the story is that Azza was the angel who revealed to the Jewish king the heavenly arcana, thus making Solomon the wisest man on earth. In Talmud, the sedim (Assyrian guardian spirits) are said to have been "begotten by Azza and Azael on the body of the evil Naamah, daughter of Lamech, before the Flood." [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, pp. 44-45.] In his introduction to *3 Enoch*, Odeberg remarks that, of the 2 groups of angels headed by Metatron, one group (the angels of justice) was under the rulership of Azza. At that time, evidently, Azza was not yet fallen.

Azzael (see Azza)—while Azza and Azzael, in some sources, are referred to as 2 distinct, separate angels, they seem to be one and the same in other sources. Variant spellings are Assiel, Azazel, Azzazel, etc. In the early part of *3 Enoch*, Azzael is represented as one of 3 ministering angels (Uzza and Azza being the other 2), inhabitants of the 7th Heaven; later, however, he is represented as a fallen angel and ranked with Azza as one of the *maskim* (q.v.). For cohabiting with the daughters of men, he was punished (with Uzza) by having his nose pierced. He taught witchcraft, by the art of which man can cause (or did cause at one time) the sun, moon and stars to descend from the sky, so as to make them closer objects of worship. [Rf. *The Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*; Bamberger, *Fallen Angels* (p. 127); the *Midrash Petirat Mosheh*.]



The Angel of the Lord, Balaam's Ass, and Balaam (Numbers 22), by Rembrandt. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Baabel—in the cabala, an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Baal Davar—a term for the adversary (*hasatan*) used by chasidic Jews of the 18th century. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*.]

Baal-Peor [Belphegor]

Babel (Babel)—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, one of the messengers of the planet Jupiter. He is variously cited as an angel of Wednesday and/or Friday, and is to be invoked only when the invocant faces south or west. In the cabala generally, Babel is a resident of the 3rd Heaven.

Babne'a—in Babylonian terracotta devil traps, a mighty angel whose name is inscribed in Hebrew characters and invoked for protection against evil. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 288.]

Bachanoe (or Bachanael)—in occultism, an angel of the 1st Heaven and a ruler of Monday.

Bachiel (Baciel)—one of the angels of the air

serving in the 4th Heaven and invoked from the east. Bachiel is also identified as one of the spirits of the planet Saturn. In the *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316 he is one of the angelic guards of the West Wind.

Bachliel—one of the angelic guards of the South Wind.

Badariel (Batarjal)—one of the 200 fallen angels. [Rf. *Enoch I*, 69:2.]

Badpatiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Bae—in *The Testament of Solomon*, an angel summoned for the exorcising of demons.

Bael (Baal—"lord" or "master")—in *The Zohar*, Bael is equated with the archangel Raphael. However, in the grimoires, and in Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*, he is a great king of the underworld serving in the eastern division of Hell and attended by 60 or 70 legions of devils. He manifests, when invoked, as a creature with 3 heads (toad, man, cat).

Ba-En-Kekon (Bainkhookh)—an aeon-angel mentioned in *Pistis Sophia* gnosticism and referred to as “the soul of darkness.” He derives from the Egyptian *Book of the Dead*.

Bagdal—in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, a genius who, with Araziel, governs the sign of the Bull (Taurus) in the zodiac.

Bagdial (fictional)—a corpulent angel in charge of issuing cards to recent arrivals in the lower Heavens, these cards entitling the holders of them to new “bodies.” Bagdial is an invention of Isaac Bashevis Singer and occurs in the latter’s short story “The Warehouse,” *Cavalier* (January 1966).

Baglis—a genius of measure and balance, according to Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*. Baglis may be invoked only in the 2nd hour of the day.

The Black Angel. In Mohammedan lore he is either Nakir or Monker. Here he is shown with features of a rackhasa (a Hindu evil spirit). Left, two lesser evil spirits. From Mohammed al Sudi’s *Treatise on Astrology and Divination*, reproduced from *Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology*.



Bagnael—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Bahaliel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Bahman [Barman]

Bahram [Barman]

Baijel—in the cabala, Baijel is an angel serving in the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Bainkhookh [Ba-En-Kekon]

Baktamael—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Balam (Balan)—formerly an angel of the order of dominations; now, in hell, a “terrible and powerful king, with 3 heads (bull, ram, man) and the tail of a serpent.” He rides naked astride a bear (see picturization in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, 1863 ed.). He commands 40 legions of infernal spirits. [Rf. *Grand Grimoire*.]

Balay—in de Abano, *The Heptameron* and in Barrett, *The Magus*, a Monday angel resident in the 1st Heaven. An invocant must face north when invoking Balay.

Balberith (Berith, Beal, Elberith, Baalberith)—an ex-prince of the order of cherubim. Now in Hell, Balberith is a grand pontiff and master of ceremonies. He is usually the one to countersign or notarize the signatures on the pacts entered into between mortals and the devil. He is called “scriptor” and is so noted on documents executed in the underworld. In *The Encyclopedia of Witchcraft and Demonology*, Balberith appears to be the demon who possessed the body of Sister Madeleine at Aix-en-Provence, and who revealed to her the names of other devils. [Rf. Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (ed. 1863), where, as Berith, he is pictured with a crown on his head and astride a horse.]

Baldach—an angel called on in ritual magic, as cited in Waite, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Balhiel [Baliel]

Balidet—a Saturday angel of the air, ministering to Maymon (*q.v.*).

Baliel (Balhiel)—a Monday angel (*Cf.* Balay) invoked from the north. Said to reside either in the 1st or 2nd Heaven. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*] In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, as Balhiel, he is one of numerous guards of the gates of the South Wind.

Balkin—in ritual magic, a beneficent master spirit, lord and king of the northern mountains. His aide is Luridan, a domestic spirit. [*Rf. Scot, Discoverie of Witchcraft; Butler, Ritual Magic.*]

Ballaton—an angel appearing on the external circle of the pentagram of Solomon figured in Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Baltazard—a spirit invoked in Solomonian magic for procuring a lady's garter. [*Rf. Grimorium Verum.*]

Balthial (Balhiel)—in *3 Enoch*, one of the 7 planetary angels, and the only angel who is able to overcome or thwart the machinations of the evil genius of jealousy. [*Rf. The Testament of Solomon.*]

Banech—one of the angels of the 7 planets invoked in conjuring rites. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Baniel—an inferior spirit summoned in Solomonian magical rites. [*Rf. Grimorium Verum; Shah, The Secret Lore of Magic.*]

Baraborat—in occult lore, a spirit of the planet Mercury. He is a Wednesday angel, resident either in the 2nd or 3rd Heaven, and invoked from the east. [*Rf. de Abano, The Heptameron; Barrett, The Magus II.*]

Baracata—a spirit invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art in Solomonian conjurations. [*Rf. Waite, The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts.*]

Barach—an angel of the Seal, used for conjuring. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Barachiel [Barakiel]

Baradiel (Yurkemo, Yurkei, Yurkemoi)—one of the 7 great archangels, a prince of the 3rd Heaven, where Baradiel shares rulership with the angel Shaphiel. Baradiel also exercises dominion over hail, with Nuriel and others. [*Rf. 3 Enoch.*]

Barael—in Jewish mysticism, one of the 7 exalted throne angels resident in the 1st Heaven. He helps "execute the commands of the potentates," according to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. [*Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, Three Books of Occult Philosophy III; de Abano, Elementia Magica.*]

Barah—the "boar avatar," one of the 10 incarnations of divinity in Vedic lore. [See Avatar.]

Barakiel (Barachiel, Barbiel, Barchiel, Barkiel, Baraqiel, etc.—"lightning of God")—one of the 7 archangels, one of the 4 ruling seraphim, angel of the month of February, and prince of the 2nd Heaven as well as of the order of confessors. Barakiel has dominion over lightning and is also one of the chief angels of the 1st and 4th altitudes or chora in the *Almadel of Solomon*. In addition, he is a ruler of the planet Jupiter and the zodiacal sign of Scorpio (as cited by Camfield in *A Theological Discourse of Angels*) and Pisces. With the angels Uriel and Rubiel, Barakiel is invoked to bring success in games of chance, according to De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*. [*Rf. Ginzberg, The Legends of the Jews I, 140.*]

Barakon—an angel invoked in Solomonian conjuring rites. [*Rf. Mathers, The Greater Key of Solomon.*]

Baraqel (Barakiel)—one of the fallen angels in the Enoch listings.

Baraqijal—as noted in *The Book of Jubilees*, one of the watchers (grigori) who united with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6. Baraqijal, now a demon and inhabiting the nether realms, is a teacher of astrology. In *Enoch I* he is described as a leader (one of the

"chiefs of ten") of a troop of fallen angels. [Cf. Barakiel, of which Baraqijal may be merely a variant.]

Barattiel—in 3 *Enoch* 18:6, when Tagas (*q.v.*) sees Barattiel "the great angelic prince of 3 fingers" (with which, it seems, he is able to hold up the highest Heaven), he, Tagas, "removes the crown of glory from his head and falls on his face." [See Ataphiel, which may be another form for Barattiel.]

Barbatos—an angel formerly of the order of virtues. "This fact," reports Spence in *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, "was proved after infinite research." In Hell, where Barbatos now dwells, he is a great duke, ruling over 30 legions of spirits. He "giveth understanding of the song of birds, knows the past and can foretell the future." He may be invoked in magical rites, and he will appear gladly, but only when the sun is in the sign of Sagittarius. For Barbatos' sigil, see Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts* (p. 108); and *The Lemegeton*.

Barbelo—a great archon (female) "perfect in glory and next in rank to the Father-of-All." She is the consort of Cosmocrator (*q.v.*). [Rf. the gnostic *Gospel of Mary* and the *Apocryphon of John*.] In the *Texts of the Saviour*, Barbelo is the daughter of Pistis Sophia, procreator of the superior angels.

Barbiel (Barbuel, Baruel)—once a prince of the order of virtues and of the order of archangels. He is the angel of the month of October and one of the 28 angels of the 28 mansions of the moon. In Barrett, *The Magus*, Barbiel is equated with Barakiel (which would make Barbiel ruler also of the month of February). In the underworld, Barbiel serves as one of the 7 Electors, under the suzerainty of Zaphiel.

Barchiel [Barakiel]

Barcus—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Barcus is a genius (i.e., angel) of quintessence; he is also one of the genii of the 5th hour.

Bardiel (Barchiel, Baradiel)—in Jewish legend,

the angel of hail, along with Nuriel, the twin kadishin (quadisin), and others.

Baresches or **Bareschas** ("beginning")—in the grimoires, a great angel invoked to procure the woman desired by the invocant.

Barginiel—governing angel of the 7th hour of the day. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Bariel—ruling angel of the 11th hour of the day; also, angel of the 4th pentacle of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 64.]

Barinian—supreme beings, "exalted angels" in ancient Persian lore. They are also called Huristar. [Rf. *The Dabistan*.]

Barkaial [Baraqijal]

Barkeil—an angel in Mandaeen tradition. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Barkiel (Barakiel)—in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Barku (see Rimmon)

Barman (Bahman, Bahram)—in ancient Persian cosmology, a great *mihr* (angel) placed over all the animals on earth except man. Barman was also chief of 30 angels appointed to preside over the 30 days of the month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.] In *The Dabistan*, Barman is one of the amesha spentas, "the first intelligence, the first angel . . . from whom other spirits or angels proceed." He is "the mightiest of the angels whom the Muhammedans call Jabriel" (Gabriel). He was the angel of January and governor of the 2nd day of the month. Barman is usually pictured in an image of red stone, in human form, on his head a red crown. Omar Khayyam in the *Rubaiyat* sings of "Bahram, the great Hunter."

Barpharanges (Sesenges - Barharanges) — in gnosticism, Barpharanges is one of the powers in charge of the spring of the waters of life (i.e., heavenly baptism). His name appears in Coptic

magical texts. Cf. Raphael, angel of baptismal water. [Rf. *Bruce Codex*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Barsabel (Barzabel)—in *The Magus*, one of the angels governing the planet Mars. His cabalistic number is 325.

Bartyabel—according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talismans, Bartyabel is a spirit of Mars, serving the angel Graphiel, who is the presiding intelligence of the planet. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.]

Bartzachiah (Barzachia)—found inscribed as an angel's name on the 1st pentacle of the planet Mars, along with the names of Ithuriel, Madiniel, and Eschiel, all these angels' names being set down in Hebrew characters. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Baruch ("blessed")—chief guardian angel of the Tree of Life, according to the *Apocalypse of Baruch*. [Cf. Raphael, who is also credited with being the guardian angel of the Tree of Life.] In the *Baruch Apocalypse*, Baruch journeys through 5 Heavens, in the 1st 3 of which he sees "evil-looking monsters." In an early Ophitic (gnostic) system, Baruch was one of 3 angels sent forth by Elohim (God) "to succor the spirit in man." In witchcraft lore Baruch is one of 7 devils who possessed the body of Sister Seraphica of Loudon. [Rf. Mead, *Fragments of a Faith Forgotten*, p. 196.]

Baruchiachel—in 3 *Enoch*, one of the 7 great planetary rulers; and the only angel able to rout the female demon named Strife [Rf. *The Testament of Solomon*].

Baryá'il—in Islamic apocalyptic writings, an angel encountered by the sufi Abu Yazid in the 7th Heaven. Baryá'il is found to be "of the tallness of the distance of a journey of 500 years." [Cf. equally fantastic heights of angels as measured in parasangs in ancient Persian lore.] He is head of innumerable ranks of fellow dwellers on high. As in the case of offers in the lower Heavens (by the angel Láwidh in the 2nd and by the angel Nayá'il in the 4th), Baryá'il offers the sufi "a kingdom

such as no tongue can describe," but the offer or bribe is resisted, Abu Yazid remaining throughout his *mir'aj* (heavenly ascent) singleminded in his devotion to God. [Rf. Nicholson, "An Early Arabic Version," etc.]

Basasael (Basasaeyal)—in *Enoch I*, an evil arch-angel.

Bashmallin (Hashmallim)—an order of angels equated with the dominations.

Baskabas—a variant reading for Kasbak, one of the secret names of the angel Metatron.

Basus—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Bataliel—one of the rulers of the 12 signs of the zodiac.

Batarel (Batariel, Badariel, Batrael, Batarjal, Metarel)—one of the 200 fallen angels in the *Enoch* listings. He may be invoked in ceremonial magic rites. The name Batariel appears in Talisman 4 of the *Sage of the Pyramids*. [See reproduction in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 95.]

Batarjal [Batarel]

Bathor—in white magic, one of the 7 olympian spirits, known as Electors or Stewards of Heaven.

Bat(h) Qol (Bath Kol—"heavenly voice" or "daughter of the voice")—a holy guardian angel said to have visited in his cell the 2nd-century sage, Simeon ben Yohai, reputed author of *The Zohar*. Bat Qol is held by many rabbis to be a form of divine pronouncement in the latter days when prophecy had ceased. She (for Bat Qol is female) is symbolized as a dove and may be compared, with the manifestation in this form, to the Holy Ghost in New Testament theophany. [Rf. *Pirke Aboth*; *The Zohar*; Newman and Spitz, *The Talmudic Anthology*; Fuller, *Secret Wisdom of the Qabalah*.] In a Syriac charm invocation (as recorded in *The Book of Protection*), Bat Qol is referred to as "the Voice which called out to Cain the murderer, 'Where is thy brother Abel?'"

Batsran—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Bat Zuge—a term for the evil Lilith (*q.v.*) when she is regarded as the 10th of the 10 unholy sefiroth or divine emanations issuing from the left side of God. [*Rf. The Zohar*, suppl.]

Bazathiel—one of the angelic guards of the 1st Heaven. [*Cf. Hechaloth Rabbati.*]

Bazazath (Raphael-Bazazath)—an archangel residing in the 2nd Heaven. In *The Testament of Solomon* and in magical tracts generally, Bazazath (or Bazarath) is reported to have put to flight, among other feats, a winged dragon (female) by the name of Obizuth.

Baz Baziah—a Talmudic angel invoked to cure cutaneous disorders. [*Rf. Talmud Shabbath*, fol. 67.]

Bazkiel—an angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. [*Rf. Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Baztiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 1st heavenly hall.

Bealphares—although characterized as a demon in Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*, Bealphares is also declared to be “the noblest carrier that ever did serve any man upon the earth.” He must therefore be called a benign spirit. Moreover, he is not listed as a demon in the rather exhaustive *Dictionnaire Infernal* or other registers of underworld hierarchies.

Bearechet—an angel of the Seal, cited in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Beasts of the Field—in *The Zohar* and in cabalistic works generally, “beasts of the field” is often a designation for the higher angels.

Beatiel—an angel serving in the 4th Heaven. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Beatrice (Portinari)—the Beatrice of Dante's *La Vita Nuova* and *The Divine Comedy* (particularly the *Paradiso*). Dante sees his beloved in Paradise as an angel; she leads him to the Empyrean, which is one of the abodes of God.

Beburos—one of the 9 angels who will rule “at the end of the world,” according to *Revelation*

of *Esdras*. [*Rf. The Ante-Nicene Fathers Library* 8, 573.] For the names of the other 8 angels, see *Angels at the End of the World*.

Bedaliel—an angel invoked to command or exorcise demons, as cited in goetic tracts. [*Rf. Mathers, The Greater Key of Solomon.*]

Bedrimulael [Abedumabal]

Beelzebub (Belzebud, Belzaboul, Beelzeboul, Baalsebul, etc. “god of flies”)—originally a Syrian god, Beelzebub is in II Kings 1:3, a god of Ekron in Philistia. In the cabala, he is chief of the 9 evil hierarchies of the underworld. In Matthew 10:25, Mark 3:22, and Luke 40:15, Beelzebub is chief of the demons, “prince of the devils” (as in Matthew 12:24), but he is to be distinguished from Satan (just as he is in all magic, medieval or otherwise). [*Rf. Legge, Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* 9, 108.] In the *Gospel of Nicodemus*, Christ, during his 3 days in Hell, gives Beelzebub dominion over the underworld in gratitude for permitting him (Christ), over Satan's objections, to take Adam and the other “saints in prison” to Heaven. A popular title of Beelzebub was “lord of flies.” Another of his titles was “lord of chaos,” as given in the gnostic writings of Valentinus. Dante identifies Beelzebub with Satan, but Milton in *Paradise Lost* I, 79, ranks Beelzebub “next to Satan in power and crime;” in I, 157 Satan addresses Beelzebub as a “fallen cherub.” In Hayley's edition of the *Poetical Works of John Milton* (London, 1794), there is an illustration showing “Satan conferring with Belzebuth.” In Gurdjieff's *All and Everything, Beelzebub's Tales to His Grandson*, the hero is Beelzebub.

Behemiel (Hariel, Hashmal)—an angel with dominion over tame beasts. Behemiel is chief of the order of hashmallim, an order equated with that of the cherubim.

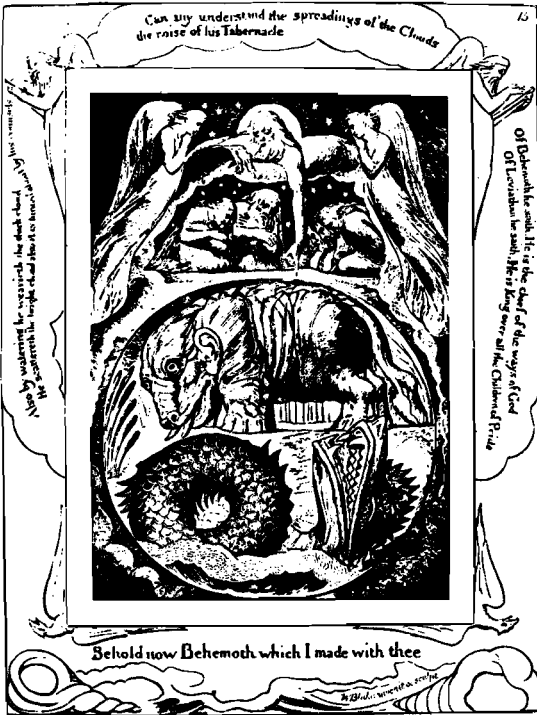
Behemoth—a male chaos-monster (whale, crocodile, hippopotamus) created on the 5th day and closely associated with the female Leviathan. [*Rf. Apocalypse of Baruch*, 29.] Also identified with Rahab, primordial angel of the sea, and with

Belhar [Bernael]

Beli—one of the angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Beliael—like Beli, an angelic guard of the gates of the North Wind.

Belial (Beliar or Berial)—in Jacobus de Teramo, *Das Buch Beliel*, this great fallen angel, often equated with Satan, is pictured presenting his credentials to Solomon; also as dancing before the Hebrew king. Paul, in II Corinthians 6:15, asks "What concord hath Christ with Belial?" Here, clearly, Paul regards Belial as chief of demons, or as Satan. In *Paradise Lost* I, 490–492, "Belial came last; than whom a Spirit more lewd/Fell not from Heav'n, or more gross to love/Vice it self." Later, in *Paradise Lost* II, 110–112, Milton speaks of Belial thus: "A fairer person lost not Heav'n; he seemed/For dignity compos'd and high exploit;" but hastens to add: "all was false and hollow." "Possibly an old name for Sheol," says Barton in "Origin of the Names of Angels and Demons." In *The Toilers of the Sea*, Victor Hugo, drawing on occult sources, speaks of Belial as Hell's ambassador to Turkey. [Cf. Mastema.] As in the case of Bileth, it was "only after infinite research," reports Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of*



William Blake's "Behemoth," an illustration for his *Book of Job*.

the angel of death. In Roman Catholic theology, Behemoth is the principal of darkness, although Job's (40:19) "he is the chief of the ways of God" points in an opposite direction. See picturization of Behemoth, in the form of an elephant with bear's feet, in Seligmann, *The History of Magic*, and Blake's engraving "Behemoth and Leviathan."

Beleth (Bileth, Bilet, Byleth)—once of the order of powers—an order to which he hopes to return—Beleth is a fallen angel in Hell where he rules 85 legions of demons. He is a king, rides a pale horse, and is announced by a blare of trumpets. His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 169, and in *The Lemegeton*. That Beleth was formerly of the order of powers "was proved after infinite research," reports Spence in *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 119.

Belial dancing before King Solomon, from *Das Buch Belial* by Jacobus de Teramo. Reproduced from Grillot, *Picture Museum of Sorcery, Magic and Alchemy*.



Occultism (p. 119), that Belial was "proved to have been formerly of the order of virtues."

Beliar ("worthless")—interchangeable, in most sources, with Beliel. Beliar is mentioned in Deuteronomy, Judges, and I Samuel, always as evil, its symbol or personification. In apocryphal writings Beliar is the prince of darkness, supreme adversary of God. In *The Martyrdom of Isaiah* he is the angel of lawlessness. In *The Gospel of Bartholomew*, Bartholomew asks Beliar to tell who he is, and Beliar answers: "At first I was called Satanel, which is interpreted a messenger of God, but when I rejected the image of God my name was called Satan, that is, an angel that keepeth Hell (Tartarus). . . . I was formed the first angel . . . Michael second, Gabriel third, Uriel fourth, Raphael fifth, Nathanael sixth. . . . These are the angels of vengeance that were first formed." [Rf. James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 175.] In Waite, *The Lemegeton*, Beliar is said to have been created "next after Lucifer." As a fallen angel Beliar boasts that he "fell first among the worthier sort." Milton calls him a "false-titled son of God." According to the Schoolmen, Beliar was once partly of the order of angels and partly of the order of virtues. However, Glasson, *Greek Influence in Jewish Eschatology*, argues that Beliar was never an angel and compares him with Ahriman, chief devil in Persian mythology, who was "independent of God and God's opposite equal." [See Ahriman.] The tradition that Beliar is Hell's primate is carried on in the work of two modern writers, Thomas Mann and Aldous Huxley, both of whom regard Beliar as the exemplar and epitome of evil.

Belphegor or **Belfagor** or **Baal-Peor** ("lord of opening" or "lord Baal of Mt. Phegor")—a Moabite god of licentiousness who was once, according to cabalists, an angel of the order of principalities. In Hell, Belphegor is the demon of discoveries and ingenious inventions. When invoked, he appears in the form of a young woman. Rufinus and Jerome identify Belphegor with Priapus (see Numbers 25:1-3). De Plancy *Dictionnaire Infernal* indicates that certain dignitaries of the infernal empire served as special

envoys or ambassadors to the nations of the earth, and that Belphegor was accredited to France. Victor Hugo in *The Toilers of the Sea* confirms De Plancy's accreditation of Belphegor to Paris. [Rf. Jonson, *The Devil Is an Ass*; Wilson, *Belphegor or the Marriage of the Devil* (1691).] According to Milton, Belphegor is a variant for Nisroc (*Paradise Lost* VI, 447), whom he lists as "of Principalities the prime." Masters, *Eros and Evil*, suggests that Belphegor is the counterpart of the Hindu Rutrem, who is usually represented with an erect phallus. See picturization of The Demon Belphegor in Grillot, *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 132.

Belsal—an angel of the 1st hour of the night under the rulership of Gamiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Bel-se-buth [Beelzebub]

Belzeboub (Beelzebub)—Dante identifies him with Satan.

Belzebuth (Beezebuth)—prince of seraphim, so titled by M. Garinet, *History of Magic in France*. In the view of De Plancy (*Dictionnaire Infernal* III and IV) Belzebuth is not an angel but a demon, and the evil genius who governs the month of July (the opposite number to the angel Verchiel, q.v.).

Benad Hasche ("daughters of God")—female angels worshipped by Arabs. [Rf. Preface to Moore, *The Loves of the Angels*.]

Ben Ani—a name written in Heaven in the characters (tongue) of angels and invoked to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 33.]

Bencul—one of the 9 holy angels invoked in cabalistic rites in the general citation of Moses. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 72.]

Bene Elim (b'ne elohim, "sons of God")—angels or archangels who unceasingly sing the praises of God; they belong to the 10th subdivision of the order of thrones, according to *The Zohar* and de Mirville, *Pneumatologie*. Chief of the order is Azazel. In *The Zohar*, the chief of the

order is Hofniel. The bene elim of Genesis 6:2 are sometimes equated with the order of ischim (q.v.). Theologians often translate the term as meaning sons of man rather than sons of God—to avoid attributing to angels the sin of sexual involvement with mortals.

Bene ha-Elohim (lit., “children of God”)—angels, same as bene elim (above). According to Rabbi Simeon ben Johai, those who translate ha-Elohim as “sons of God” are in error and should be cursed [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*]. In *Targum of Onkelos and Jonathan*, the title given to the bene ha-Elohim is “Sons of the Chiefs.”

Beniel—an angel invoked to command demons for conferring the gift of invisibility. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 45.]

Benign Angel—in *Midrash Aggada Exodus*, the Benign Angel is Uriel; in *The Zohar* I, 93b, it is Gabriel. The Benign Angel was sent down to attack or slay Moses for neglecting to observe the covenant of circumcision with regard to the Law-giver's son. Zipporah (Moses' wife) saved the day by performing the rite (Exodus 4:25).

Ben Nez (“hawk”)—a name for the angel Rubiel or Ruhiel. Ben Nez exercises dominion over the wind. According to tradition (Talmud *Baba Bathra*, 25a), he “holds back the South Wind with his pinions lest the world be consumed.” Ben Nez is referred to as a mountain as well as an angel. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 12 and V, 47.]

Beodonos—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed.

Beratiel—one of the ruling angels of the 12th hour of the day. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Berekeel (“my blessing is God”)—an angel of the seasons in Enoch lore (*Enoch* I, 82:17).

Berial [Belial]

Berith [Balberith]

Berka'el—in Enoch lore, Berka'el is a leading spirit of 3 months of the year, serving under Melkejal (q.v.).

Bernaël—in Falasha lore, the angel of darkness; when he is identified or equated with Beliel, he is an angel of evil.

Beshter—the name of Michael in ancient Persian lore. He was regarded as providing sustenance for mankind, which would equate him with Metatron (q.v.). [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, “Preliminary Discourse,” p. 51.]

Bethor—one of the 7 supreme angels ruling the 196 provinces in which Heaven is divided. Bethor rules 42 Olympic regions and commands kings, princes, dukes, etc., and “governs all things that are ascribed to (the planet) Jupiter.” To do Bethor's bidding there are, in addition, 29,000 legions of spirits. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, where the sigil of this angel is shown; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, where the sigil is reproduced.]

Bethuael (“house or man of God”)—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon.

Bethuel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Betuliel—one of the governing angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, III.]

Bezaliel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim*, 316.]

Bezrial—one of the angelic guards of the 3rd Heaven, as reported in the *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Bhaga—in Vedic lore, one of 7 (or 12) celestial deities, analogous to Judaeo-Christian angels. [See Adityas.]

Bibiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Biefel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 6th heavenly hall.

Bigth (Biztha)—in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, one of the 7 angels of confusion: also one

of the 2 pressers of the winepress. In the house of Ahasuerus, Bigtha is an angel of destruction.

Bileth [Beleth]

Binah ("understanding")—the 3rd sefira (q.v.). In *The Book of Concealed Mystery*, Binah is called "the sea." [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Biqā (in Amharic, "good person")—the original name of the angel Kasbeel (q.v.). After Kasbeel's fall (he sinned by turning away from God the moment he was created), he was re-named Kazbeel, "he who lies to God."

Bird of God—a term used by Dante to denote an angel.

Bizbul (meaning, "in Zebul")—a secret name of Metatron, according to Rabbi Inyanei bar Sisson. [Rf. *The Visions of Ezekiel*.]

Black Angel—in Mohammedan demonology one comes across 2 black angels, named Monker and Nakir (q.v.). Another black angel, unnamed, is pictured in the *Treatise on Astrology and Divination* of Mohammed al-Sudi. This angel with the features of a rackhasa is shown with 2 other malevolent spirits in *Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology* and reproduced on p. 68.

Blaef—in occult lore, a Friday angel of the air, ministering to Sarabotes and subject to the West Wind. [Rf. de Claremont, *The Ancient's Book of Magic*.]

Blautel—an angel invoked in necromancy. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Bludon—one of the 7 Electors (underworld planetary spirits or rulers) in Cornelius Agrippa's listing. Bludon replaces Ganael in the planetary rulers cited by Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.

Bne Seraphim—in practical cabala, the angel governing the planet Mercury. In talismanic magic he is the intelligence of the planet Venus. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 147.]

Boamiel—one of the 6 angels placed over the 4 parts of Heaven, according to *The Book of the*

Angel Raziel. The other 5 angels are Scamijm, Gabriel, Adrael, Dohel, Madiel. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Bodiel—ruling prince of the 6th Heaven, according to *Hechaloth Zoterathi*, quoted in 3 *Enoch* 17. The ruling angels usually designated are Sabath, Sandalphon, Zachiel, and Zebul.

Boel ("God is in him"—Boul, Boeel, Bohel, Dohel)—one of 7 exalted throne angels resident in the 1st Heaven. Boel holds the 4 keys to the 4 corners of the earth; by means of these keys all the angelic hosts are able to enter the Garden of Eden—when, that is, Boel unlocks the gates and the 2 guardian cherubim permit entry. [Rf. *The Zohar* (Exodus 133b).] According to Barrett, *The Magus*, Boel resides not in the 1st Heaven but in the 7th. The star (more correctly the planet) he governs is Saturn. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; *The Book of Hechaloth*; *Ozar Midrashim*.]

Briel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For the names of all 70, see Appendix.

Brieus—an angel who, it is said, is alone able to overcome the designs and machinations of the demon Raddos. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Bualu—one of the 8 angels of omnipotence employed in conjuring rites. Among the others of this group are Atuesuel, Ebuhuel, Tabatlu, Tulatu, Labusi, Ublisi. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 85.] The cabalistic instructions for conjuring these angels specify that they "must be called 3 times from the 4 corners of the world with a clear and powerful voice and when the name of each is pronounced 3 times, then 3 sounds must be uttered by the horn."

Buchuel—an angelic name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Buddha [Budh Avatar]

Budh Avatar (Buddha)—the 9th of the 10 avatars in Vedic lore. [See Avatar.]

Buhair—in Mandaean lore, one of the 10 *uthri* (angels) that accompany the sun on its daily course.

Bull—in Zoroastrian mythology, the source of all light; he was created by Ormazd and destroyed by Ahriman. Out of Bull's scattered seed, according to legend, sprang the first man and woman.

Burc(h)at—in the cabala, an angel of the air serving in the 4th Heaven; he governs on Lord's Day (Sunday) and is invoked from the west. He is one of the messengers of the sun. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*; Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Burkhan—in Manicheanism, an incarnate

messenger "of the God of Light to man." Zoroaster is spoken of in Manichean lore as a burkhan. [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II.]

Busasejal—according to *Enoch I*, one of a troop of fallen angels.

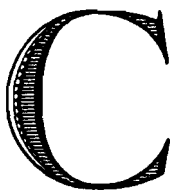
Busthriel—an angelic name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Butator (or Butatar)—the genius or spirit of calculations. Butator serves in the 3rd hour of the day and may be invoked in ritual magic rites, as certified by Apollonius of Tyana in *The Nuctameron*. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 503.]

Byleth [Beleth]



A seraph by Cavallini. Detail from the *Last Judgment* (Rome, 1280). Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Cabiel—one of the 28 angels ruling over the 28 mansions of the moon.

Cabriel (Cabrael, Kabriel)—an angel with dominion over the sign of Aquarius. He is one of 6 angels placed over the 4 parts of Heaven. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Cadat—"a most pure angel" invoked in Solomonic magic. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Cadulech—a most holy angel of God invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Cael—an angel representing, or exercising dominion over, the sign of Cancer in the zodiac. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Cafon [Zephon]

Cahet(h)el—one of the 8 seraphim; he rules over agricultural products and is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. In the cabala generally he is often invoked to increase or improve crops. His corresponding

angel is Asicat. Cahethel's sigil will be found in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.

Cahor—genius of deception. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Cahor is described as a genius of the 3rd hour.

Caila—an angel invoked in Solomonic magic in the Uriel conjuration. Caila is "one of the 4 words God spoke with his mouth to his servant Moses," according to the grimoires. The other 3 words were Josta, Agla, and Ablati. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Caim (Cayn, Camio)—once of the order of angels, Caim is now in Hell, a great president. He manifests in the form of a thrush. As many as 30 legions of infernal spirits attend him. His seal is figured in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 182. Luther had a famous encounter with Caim, according to De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* where (in the 1863 ed.) Caim is pictured as a belted bird.

Caldulech (Caldurech)—"a most pure angel," invoked in ceremonial magic rites. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Caliel [Calliel]

Calizantin—a “good angel” invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *Verus Jesuitarum Libellus*.]

Calliel (Caliel)—one of the throne angels serving in the 2nd Heaven, invoked to bring prompt help against adversity. Calliel is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel is Tersatosoa (or Tepisatosoa). For Calliel’s sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 267.

Caluel (Calvel)—a Wednesday angel residing in the 2nd or 3rd Heaven and invoked from the south. Since his corresponding angel is Tersatosoa, Caluel may be a variant for Calliel (q.v.).

Calvel [Caluel]

Calzas—a Tuesday angel serving in the 5th Heaven. Calzas must be invoked from the east. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Camael (Camiel, Camiul, Chamuel, Kemuel, Khamael, Camniel, Cancel—“he who sees God”)—chief of the order of powers and one of the sefiroth. In occult lore, Camael is of the nether regions and ranks as a Count Palatine. When invoked, he appears in the guise of a leopard crouched on a rock. In the cabala, Camael (Khamael, Kemuel) is one of the 10 (actually 9) archangels of the Briatic world. “It is a name,” says Eliphas Levi in *The History of Magic*, “which personifies divine justice.” In a footnote to Levi’s book, Waite, the editor, in chapter 10, notes that, in Druid mythology, Camael was the god of war. This bears out the frequent citation of Camael in occultism as the ruler of the planet Mars and as among the governing angels of the 7 planets. [Rf. *Complete Book of Fortune*, p. 514, for picturization of “the Talisman of the Angels,” where the name Camael occurs.] In *The Magus*, Camael is one of “seven angels which stand in the presence of God.” For the legend that Moses destroyed this great angel for trying to prevent the Lawgiver from receiving the Torah at the hand of God, see Kemuel. Another legend speaks of Camael (Kemuel) being in charge of 12,000 angels of

destruction. [Rf. *The Legends of the Jews III*.] In Clement, *Angels in Art*, Chamuel is the angel who wrestled with Jacob; also the angel (usually identified as Gabriel) who appeared to Jesus during his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane to strengthen Him.

Camal (Hebrew, “to desire God”)—the name of one of the archangels in the cabala. [Rf. the *Book of The Sacred Magic of Abra-Melin the Mage*.]

Camaysar—in occultism, the angel “of the marriage of contraries.” He is a genius of the 5th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Cambiel—according to Trithemius, the ruler of the zodiacal sign of Aquarius, and an angel of the 9th hour.

Cambill—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcorial. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Cameron—angel of the 12th hour of the day, serving under Beratiel. He is also regarded as a demon; as such he serves in the conjuration of Beelzebuth, as well as in the conjuration of Asteroth. [Rf. *Magia Naturalis et Innaturalis*; Butler, *Ritual Magic*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Camio [Caim]

Camuel [Camael]

Caneloas—“a most holy angel” invoked in magical operations, as noted in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Capabile—one of 3 angel messengers of the Sun. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Capabili—an angel of the 4th Heaven ruling on the Lord’s Day and invoked from the west.

Caphriel—in occultism, “a strong and powerful angel,” chief ruler of the 7th day (Sabbath). He is invoked in the conjuration of Saturn (the planet). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; de Claremont, *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*.]

Capitiel—one of the angels of the 4th chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*.



Angel head, 15th century. From the great rose window in north transept of St. Ouen, Rouen. Reproduced from Lawrence B. Saint, *Stained Glass of the Middle Ages in England and France*. London: A. and C. Black, Ltd., 1925.

Captains of Fear [Angels of Dread]

Captain of the Host of the Lord—in Joshua 5, the man (i.e., angel) whom Joshua beheld standing over against him with drawn sword and who revealed himself as “the captain of the host of the Lord.” He is usually identified as Michael.

Caracasa—in occult lore, an angel of the Spring along with the angels Core, Amatiel, and Co-missoros.

Caraniel—in Mosaic mystic lore, an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Carcas—one of the 7 angels of confusion. In the legend relating to Ahasuerus, Carcas is the “knocker.” [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 375.]

Cardiel—in ceremonial magic, an angel invoked in special rites, as in the conjuration of the Sword.

Cardinal Virtues—there are 4 cardinal virtues: justice, prudence, temperance, fortitude. The theological virtues are faith, hope, and charity. These were often personalized as angels and so represented, as in the case of fortitude, in the roundels of Lucca della Robbia in the chapel of Cardinal of Portugal, in the Church of San Miniato al Monte in Florence and reproduced on p. 114.

Caretaking Angels—Temeluch (q.v.) and others. “Infants of untimely birth are delivered over to Care-taking Angels,” according to Clement of Alexandria, *Prophetic Eclogues*, 48. Methodius in his *Convivia*, II, 6 adds that these angels serve also the offspring of adultery.

Carmax—in occultism, a ministering angel to Samax, ruler of the Tuesday angels of the air. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.] Serving with Carmax are 2 other angels: Ismoli and Paffran. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*, p. 50.]

Carniel—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Carnivean (Carniveau)—an ex-prince of the order of powers (see Carreau). Carnivean is now a demon, invoked in the litanies of the Witches' Sabbaths. [Rf. Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*.]

Carreau (Carnivean)—an ex-prince of the order of powers. In Garinet, *History of Magic in France*, Carreau was one of the devils who possessed the body of Sister Seraphica of Loudun; in the absence of Baruch (another devil so named), Carreau guarded a drop of water that bewitched the sister's stomach (sic).

Carsiol—an angel of the 2nd hour, serving under Anaël. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 67.]

Casmaron—in occult science (as in Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*), an angel of the air.

Casmiros—an angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel.

Cass Cassiah—an angel invoked for the curing of cutaneous disorders. [Rf. Talmud *Shabbath*, fol. 67.]

Cassiel (Casiel, Casziel, Kafziel)—the angel of solitudes and tears who "shews forth the unity of the eternal kingdom." Cassiel is one of the rulers of the planet Saturn, also a ruling prince of the 7th Heaven and one of the *sarim* (princes) of the order of powers. Sometimes he appears as the angel of temperance. Barrett in *The Magus* speaks of Cassiel as one of the 3 angels of Saturday, serving with Machatan and Uriel. In the *Book of Spirits* as well as in *The Magus*, the sigil of Cassiel is given, along with his signature. In the latter work Cassiel Macoton (so named) is pictured in the form of a bearded jinn, astride a dragon. In Grillot, *Picture Museum of Sorcery, Magic and Al-*



The angel Cassiel, ruler of Saturday, astride a dragon. Reproduced from Francis Barrett, *The Magus*.

chemy (p. 113), there is a reproduction of a page from the *Book of Spirits* giving the conjuration of Cassiel.

Cassiel Macoton—according to Barrett, *The Magus* II, Cassiel and Macoton are 2 separate angels, both doing duty on Saturday.

Castiel—a Thursday angel mentioned in occult lore.

Casujoiah—an angel with dominion over the sign of Capricorn. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Catroije—in the cabala, an angel serving in the 2nd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Causub—a serpent-charming angel. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Causub is one

of the *genii* of the 7th hour. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Caym [Caim]

Cazardia—a corruption of Gazardiel (*q.v.*). [Rf. Régamey, *What Is An Angel?*]

Cedar—in *The Gospel of Bartholomew* (Latin version, James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*) Cedar is cited as an angel governing the south. In other versions he is called Kerkoutha (*q.v.*).

Cedrion—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed, and governing the south. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Celestial Hierarchy—based on interpretations of Scriptural passages and as enumerated by St. Ambrose, pseudo-Dionysius, Pope Gregory, and others, the orders or choirs of the celestial hierarchy range from 7 to 10 or 11 in number; they were finally fixed at 9 in triple triads thus: seraphim, cherubim, thrones; dominations (or dominions), powers, virtues; principalities (or principedoms), archangels, angels. The 2nd triad is sometimes given as dominions, virtues, powers. Variants include orders called hosts, aeons, innocents, confessors, lordships, authorities, warriors, etc. In Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, conjurations are prescribed for "ten choirs of the Holy Angels," to wit: (1) chaoth ha-Qadesh; (2) auphanim; (3) aralim; (4) chashmalim; (5) seraphim; (6) malachim; (7) elohim; (8) beni elohim; (9) kerubim; (10) ishim; these are the 10 mentioned by Maimonides in his *Mishna Thora*. The *Berith Menucha* offers a slightly different list of 10: arellim, ishim, bene elohim, mal'achim, chashmallim, tarshishim, shina'nim, kerubim, ophanim, seraphim. [Rf. Charles, *The Book of the Secrets of Enoch* (*Enoch II*), Chap. 20, fn.] After Aquinas "blessed" the Dionysian scheme of 9 choirs in their triple triads, the Church adhered to it. Early Protestants, however, not only disputed it but also rejected it. Some occult works such as Barrett, *The Magus*, added a 4th triad, making 12 orders. It will be recalled that Dante in his *Paradiso*, canto 28, calls Pope Gregory to account for "dissenting" from the Dionysian

...Cassiel, a sometime angel of temperance [83]

setup. [Rf. *Sefer Yetzirah*; Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, pp. 255-256.] For variant lists by various authorities, see Appendix.

Celestial Pilot, The—in his poem "The Celestial Pilot," Longfellow calls the ferryman of souls "the bird of God." The poem derives from Dante's Pilot Angel in *Purgatorio II*.

Cendrion—in the grimoires, "a holy angel of God" invoked in cabalistic rites.

Cernaiul—the name of an angel of the 7th sefiroth (Netzach). [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Cerviel (Cervihel, Zeruel)—chief of the order of principalities, a post shared with Haniel, Nisroc, and others. Cerviel is the preceptor angel of David. "And God sent Cervihel, the Angel that is over strength, to help David slay Goliath," is the reference in *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*, p. 234. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Cetarari (Ctariri, Crarari)—one of the 4 angels of winter. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Chabalym—a seraph or cherub invoked in cabalistic magic rites.

Chabril—an angel of the 2nd hour of the night, under Farris.

Chachmal (Chachmiel)—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels mentioned in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. For the list of 70, see Appendix.

Chachmiel [Chachmal]

Chadakiel [Hadakiel]

Chafriel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Chahoel—in the cabala, one of the 72 angels ruling the 72 quinarities of the degrees of the zodiac.

Chaigidiel—in the world of Asaiah, the averse (opposite or left) sefira corresponding to Chochma (wisdom) in the Briatic world. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 256.]

Chairoum—in *The Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 176, the angel of the north. [See Alfatha and Gabriel, both of whom are in the same way certified

as angels governing the north.] Chairoum is described as holding in his hand "a rod of fire, and restraineth the superfluity of moisture that the earth be not overmuch wet."

Chajoth [Hayyoth]

Chalkatoura—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places," according to *The Gospel of Bartholomew*.

Chalkydri (Kalkydra)—archangels of the flying elements of the sun. Mentioned in *Enoch II*, where they are linked with the phoenixes and placed amidst cherubim and seraphim. The chalkydri are 12-winged. At the rising of the sun they burst into song. Their habitat is the 4th Heaven. In gnostic lore, they are demonic. In Charles' Introduction to *Enoch II*, the chalkydri are described as "monstrous serpents with the heads of crocodiles" and as "natural products of the Egyptian imagination."

Chamuel ("he who seeks God"—Kamuel, Haniel, Simiel, etc.)—one of the 7 archangels and chief of the order of dominations; also, with Nisroc and others, chief of the order of powers. Chamuel, like Gabriel, is the angel of Gethsemane: he strengthened Jesus with the assurance of resurrection. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; *Enoch I*; R. L. Gales, "The Christian Lore of Angels," *National Review*, September 1910.]

Chamyel—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. See Appendix.

Chaniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels mentioned in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* and in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 255. In *Ozar Midrashim II*, 316, Chaniel is one of the angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Chantare—in occult lore, the corresponding angel of Hahael (q.v.).

Charavah [Charbiel]

Charbiel (Charavah—"dryness")—an angel appointed to "draw together and dry up all the waters of the earth." It was Charbiel who dried up the waters after the Flood. [Rf. Genesis 8:13.] He

is mentioned in the *Baraita de Ma'ase Bereshith* and in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, ch. 11.

Charby—angel of the 5th hour serving under Abasdarhon. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Charciel (Charsiel)—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, an angel resident in the 4th Heaven. He rules on Lord's Day (Sunday) and is invoked from the south.

Chardiel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 2nd hour of the day, serving under Anael.

Chardros—an angel of the 11th hour of the day, serving under Bariel.

Chariots—the angelic hosts, as in Psalms 68:17: "The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels; the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place."

Chariots of God—the holy wheels (ophanim). Milton identified this class of angels with the cherubim and seraphim; they were so grouped by the Talmudists. Scholem, *The Zohar*, declares that the patriarchs were made "a holy chariot of God."

Charis ("grace")—in gnosticism, one of the great luminaries emanated from the divine will.

Charman—an angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel.

Charmeas—an angel of the 1st hour of the day, serving under Samael.

Charms—an angel of the 9th hour of the day, serving under Vadriel.

Charnij—an angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under Oriel.

Charouth—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places." [See Chalkatoura.]

Charpon—a ruling angel of the 1st hour of the day, serving under Samael.

Charsiel [Charciel]

Charuch—an angel of the 6th hour of the day, serving under Samil.

Chasan—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel of the air; his name is inscribed on the 7th pentacle of the sun.

Chasdiel—in apocalyptic lore, a name for Metatron “when Metatron does kindness to the world.” [Rf. *3 Enoch* 43.]

Chaskiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For the names of the 70, see Appendix.

Chasmal [Hashmal]

Chasmodai—according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talismans, Chasmodai is the spirit of the moon, of which “planet” it is said that the governing intelligence is Malach Be. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I.]

Chassiel—one of the intelligences of the sun, as recorded in *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 33.

Chastiser, The—Kolazonta, the destroying angel, so named in the incident involving Aaron, described in Reider, *The Book of Wisdom* 18:2.

Chaumel—one of the 72 angels ruling the 72 quinarities of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Chavakiah—in Barrett, *The Magus* II, one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Chaya—sing. for Hayyoth (q.v.).

Chaylim—in *3 Enoch*, the chaylim are “armies of angels ruled over and led by Chayyiel.”

Chaylon—a cherub or seraph invoked in ritual magic. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Chayo—a throne angel invoked in magical conjurations. One of 15 such angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. See Appendix for the names of all 15.

Chayoh [Hayyoth]

Chayyiel H' (Chayyiel, Hayyiel, Hayyal, Haileal—“army”)—ruling prince of the chayyoth or hayyoth (q.v.). Before Chayyiel “all the children of heaven do tremble.” It is said further of

this great Merkabah angel that, if he is ever so minded, he can “swallow the whole earth in one moment in a mouthful.” When the ministering angels fail to chant the trisagion at the right time, Chayyiel flogs them with lashes of fire. [Rf. *3 Enoch* 20.]

Chayyoth [Hayyoth]

Chebo—one of the 72 angels ruling the 72 quinarities of the zodiac.

Chedustaniel (Chedusitanick)—a Friday angel resident in the 3rd Heaven, invoked from the east. Chedustaniel is also one of the angelic spirits of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Chemos—equated with Peor and Nisroc. To Milton in *Paradise Lost* I, 312, 406, Chemos is a fallen angel.

Cheratiel—an angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Cheriour—a “terrible angel,” charged with punishment of crime and the pursuit of criminals, according to De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.

Chermes—angel of the 9th hour of the night, serving under Nacoriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Chermiel—a Friday angel of the 3rd Heaven invoked from the south. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II; de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Cherub (sing. for cherubim)—in the cabala, Cherub is one of the angels of the air. As Kerub he is the angel “who was made the Guardian of the Terrestrial Paradise, with a Sword of Flame.” [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 34.] “The 1st angel who sinned is called, not a seraph, but a cherub,” says Aquinas in his *Summa*, vol. 1, 7th art., reply objection 1. In *The Zohar*, Cherub is chief of the order of cherubim. In Ezekiel (28:14-15) God recalls to the Prince of Tyre that he was the “anointed cherub” and was perfect in his ways “till iniquity was found” in him.

Cherubiel (Kerubiel)—eponymous chief of the order of the cherubim. [See Gabriel, who is also regarded as chief of the order.]

Cherubim (Kerubim)—in name as well as in concept, the cherubim are Assyrian or Akkadian in origin. The word, in Akkadian, is karibu and means “one who prays” or “one who intercedes,” although Dionysius declared the word to mean knowledge. In ancient Assyrian art, the cherubim were pictured as huge, winged creatures with leonine or human faces, bodies of bulls or sphinxes, eagles, etc. They were usually placed at entrances to palaces or temples as guardian spirits. In early Canaanitish lore, the cherubim were not conceived of as angels. [Cf. view of Theodorus, Bishop of Heracleâa, who declared “these cherubims not to be any Angelicall powers, but rather some horrible visions of Beasts, which might terrifie Adam from

the entrance of paradise”—from Salkeld, *A Treatise of Angels*.] It was only later that the cherubim began to be regarded as heavenly spirits. To Philo (“On the Cherubim”) they symbolized God’s highest and chiefest potencies, sovereignty, and goodness. They are the 1st angels to be mentioned (and to be construed as angels) in the Old Testament (Genesis 3:22). They guarded with flaming sword the Tree of Life and Eden, hence their designation as the “flame of whirling swords.” In Exodus 25:18 we find 2 cherubim “of gold,” one on either side of the Ark (see picturization in Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*). [Cf. “cherubim of glory shadowing the mercy seat” in Hebrews 9:5.] In Ezekiel (10:14) 4 cherubim, each with 4 faces and 4 wings, appear at the river Chebar where the Hebrew prophet glimpses them. In I Kings 6:23, the 2 cherubim in Solomon’s temple are carved out of olive wood. In rabbinic and occult lore, the cherubim are pre-vaillingly thought of as charioteers of God, bearers of His throne, and personifications of the winds. In Revelation (4:8) they are living creatures who render unceasing praise to their Maker. Here St. John refers to them as beasts (holy, divine beasts), 6-winged and “full of eyes within.” John of Damascus in his *Exposition of the Orthodox Faith* also speaks of the cherubim as “many-eyed.” In Talmud the cherubim are equated with the order ophanim (wheels or chariots) or the order hayyoth (holy beasts) and are said to reside in the 6th or 7th Heaven. In the Dionysian scheme, the cherubim rank 2nd in the 9-choir hierarchy and are guardians of the fixed stars. Chief rulers, as listed in most occult works, include Ophaniel, Rikbiel, Cherubiel, Raphael, Gabriel, Zophiel, and—before his fall—Satan, who was, as Parente says in *The Angels*, “the supreme angel in the choir of cherubim.” In the early traditions of Muslim lore it is claimed that the cherubim were formed from the tears Michael shed over the sins of the faithful. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 616, “Demons and Spirits (Muslim).”] In secular lore the cherubim have been called “black cherubim” (Dante), “young-eyed cherubim” (Shakespeare), “helmed cherubim” (Milton). Blake describes Satan as the “covering cherub” and turns

Cherubs. Italian (Neapolitan, late 18th century). Collection of Loretta Hines Howard. From *The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin*, December 1965.





French baroque musical cherubim. Altarpiece at Champagny in Savoy. From *Horizon*, November 1960.

the Ezekiel vision of the 4 creatures into his own *Four Zoas*. The latter sound the 4 trumpets heralding the apocalypse. As angels of light, glory, and keepers of the celestial records, the cherubim excel in knowledge. [Rf. Lindsay, *Kerubim in Semitic Religion and Art*.] The notion of winged, multiple-headed beasts serving as guardians of temples and palaces must have been general in many near-Eastern countries, for in addition to appearing in Assyrian-Chaldean-Babylonian art and writings (where the authors of Isaiah and Ezekiel doubtlessly first came upon them), they appear, as already noted, in Canaanitish lore (with which the Israelites were, of course, familiar, and which influenced or colored the accounts in Genesis and other Old Testament books). An ivory from the collection of a king of Megiddo, circa 1200 B.C.E., reproduced on p. 45 of the *Westminster Historical Atlas to the Bible*, shows a Canaanite ruler seated on a throne, "supported by winged lions with human heads." These, say the editors of the *Atlas*, "are the imaginary, composite beings which the Israelites called cherubim." As winged beasts with human heads, 2 cherubim are shown supporting the throne of Hiram, king of ancient Byblos (see reproduction, p. 132, vol.

A-D of *Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*). Among works of more modern times, Rubens' "Apotheosis of James I" (hanging in the banquet hall of Whitehall in London and filling the long side panels) shows a procession of cherubs.

Chesed ("mercy," "goodness")—the 4th sefira.

Chesetial—one of the governing angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Chieftains—in the cabala, a term designating the celestial prince-guardians assigned to various nations of the earth. There were 70 of these tutelary spirits, according to *The Zohar*.

Children of Heaven—in *Enoch I*, the children of Heaven are "the sons of the holy angels who fell and violated women." The reference is to Genesis 6:2.

Chirangiyah [Parasurama]

Chismael—a spirit of Jupiter, of which planet Zophiel is the presiding intelligence, according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talismans. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic I*.]

Chiva [Hayyoth]

Chnum (see Anmael).

Chobaliel—according to Voltaire in his “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils,” Chobaliel is one of the fallen angels in the Enoch listings.

Choch(k)ma (Hokhmah)—the word in Hebrew has the connotation “wisdom.” Chochma is the 2nd of the holy sefiroth (divine emanations) and is equated with the personalized angel Ratziel (Raziel). According to Mathers, *The Kabbala Unveiled*, Chochma is the 1st of God’s creations, the only one of the supernal abstractions which seems to have reached actual materialization or personification. [Rf. Guignebert, *The Jewish World in the Time of Jesus; Sefer Yetzirah*.]

Chochmael (Hochmael)—in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, an angel of the sefiroth invoked in conjuration rites.

Choosed [Hoesediel]

Chofniel—chief of the angelic order of *bene elohim* (children of God), as listed in the Midrash *Bereshith Menucha*.

Choriel—angel of the 8th hour of the day, serving under Oscaebial. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton; The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Chorob—angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under Oriel.

Chosniel (“cover”)—in Mosaic incantation rites, an angel invoked for the conferring of good memory and an open heart.

Chrail (Chreil)—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaïtes des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Chromme—corresponding angel of Nanael (q.v.).

Chrymos—an angel of the 5th hour of the night, serving under Abasdarhon.

Chuabothiej—in the cabala, an angel of the Seal.

Chur (Churdad)—in ancient Persian mythology, the angel in charge of the disk of the sun.

[Rf. Clayton, *Angelology*; Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Chuscha—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. For the names of all 15, see Appendix.

Chushiell—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim* II, 317.]

Chutriell—presiding angel of the Mire of Clay, which is 5th of the 7 lodges of Hell (arka). [Rf. the writings of the cabalist Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla.]

Cochabiel (Coahabiath)—spirit of the planet Mercury, in cabala; derived from Babylonian religious lore. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 26.] In Mosaic lore, and according to Cornelius Agrippa in *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III, Cochabiel is one of 7 princes “who stand continually before God and to whom are given the spirit names of the planets.”

Cogediel—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon.

Cohabiting Glory—a title given the Shekinah (q.v.) by Waite, *The Secret Doctrine in Israel*, in designating her as “the guide of man on earth and the womanhood which is part of him.”

Colopatiron—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, a genius (spirit) who sets prisons open; also one of the genii of the 9th hour.

Comadiel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguaniel.

Comary—an angel of the 9th hour of the night, serving under Nacoriell.

Comato(s)—in Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax.

Comforter—“the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name.” [Rf. John 14:26; see Holy Ghost.]

Commissoros—one of the 4 angels of the Spring. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Conamas—in occult magical operations, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax.

Confessors—one of 12 (sic) orders of the Celestial Hierarchy as enumerated in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*. The chief of the order of confessors is the angel Barakiel (q.v.).

Coniel—in the cabala, a Friday angel resident in the 3rd Heaven. He is invoked from the west. In *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, Coniel is listed among the messengers of the planet Jupiter.

Contemplation—a cherub (so named) in Milton's *Il Penseroso*.

Cophi—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. [Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Corabael—a Monday angel residing in the 1st Heaven and invoked from the west. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Corael—an angel petitioned in magical prayer for the fulfillment of the invocant's desires. Corael is invoked along with the angels Setchiel and Chedustaniel in *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.

Corat—a Friday angel of the air resident in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the east.

Core—one of the 4 angels of the Spring. Core is mentioned as a governing spirit of this season in Barrett, *The Magus* and de Abano, *The Heptameron*.

Coriel—an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion.

Corinne (fictional)—a female angel (so named) in Jonathan Daniels, *Clash of Angels*.

Corobael [Corabael]

Cosel—an angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 69.]

Cosmagogi—in the Chaldean cosmological scheme, the 3 intellectual angelic guides of the universe. [Rf. Aude, *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Cosmiel—the genius who accompanied the 17th-century Jesuit Athanasius Kircher on his visits to various planets. Kircher tells of this "ecstatic voyage" in his *Oedipus Egyptiacus*. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, p. 73.]

Cosmocrator—in Valentinian gnosticism, Cosmocrator is ruler of the material cosmos in the guise of Diabolos (the devil). His consort is Barbelo (q.v.) and together "they sing praises to the Powers of the Light," which would indicate that Cosmocrator is not wholly evil. [Rf. *Pistis Sophia*.]

Covering Cherub—the covering cherub was, according to Blake, "Lucifer in his former glory." [Rf. Blake, *Vala*.]

Craoscha [Sraosha]

Cripon—"a holy angel of God," invoked in magical rites, specifically in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Crocell (Crokell, Procel, Pucel, Pocel)—once of the order of potestates (i.e., powers), now a great duke in Hell commanding 48 legions of infernal spirits. Crocell confided to Solomon that he expects to return to his former throne (in Heaven). Meantime he teaches geometry and the liberal arts. May be the same as Procel, in which case his sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 211.

Crociel—an angel of the 7th hour of the day, serving under Barginiel.

Crowned Seraph—the devil, 6-winged, is pictured as a crowned seraph in his capacity of tempter in Eden. [See reproduction in Wall, *Devils*, p. 42.] According to Fabricius, the Devil (Lucifer) could be distinguished from all seraphs by his crown, worn by virtue of his office of light-bearer.

Cruciel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving under Sarquamich.

Ctarari—one of the 2 angels of Winter, the

other angel being Amabael. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Cukbiel—an angel invoked in Syrian invocation rites, as described in *The Book of Protection* and in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*. Cukbiel figures in the “Binding [of] the Tongue of the Ruler,” a special binding spell.

Cuniali—the genius (spirit) of association and one of the governing genii of the 8th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctameron*.]

Cupra—one of the Novensiles (*q.v.*). Cupra is the personification of light.

Curaniel—an angel of Monday, resident of the 1st Heaven, invoked from the south.

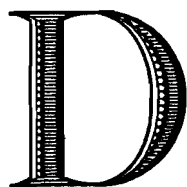
Cureton—“a holy angel of God” invoked in black magical conjurations, as described in the grimoires. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Curson [Purson]

Cynabal—a minister-angel serving under Varcana (king of the air ruling on the Lord’s Day). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; and Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*.]



Jacob Wrestling with the Angel by Delacroix. The angel has been variously identified as Metatron, Peniel, Sammael. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Daath (“knowledge”)—in the cabalistic system of divine emanations, Daath combines the 2nd and 3rd sefiroth (*q.v.*). [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Dabariel—variant for Radueriel. [Rf. *3 Enoch*, chap. 27.]

Dabria—one of the 5 “men” (actually angels) who transcribed the 204 (or 94) books dictated by Ezra. The other 4 heavenly scribes were Ecanus, Sarea, Selemiah (Seleucia), Asiel. [Rf. *Revelation of Esdras IV*.]

Dabriel—the heavenly scribe, equated with Vretil (*q.v.*). Dabriel is also a Monday angel said to reside in the 1st Heaven. He is invoked from the north. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Daden—in gnosticism, a great celestial power dwelling in the 6th Heaven. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Daemon (demon)—one of 2 sets of watchers or guardian angels, according to Hesiod in his *Works and Days*. Also, “spirits of the men of the golden age.” In Greek lore, daemons were

benevolent spirits, familiars, or angels. Socrates had his daemon, an attending spirit. In Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes*, an invocation to Hermes is addressed to “the Good Daimon Sire of all things good, and nurse of the whole world,” where Daimon, as Mead suggests, stands for the “father-mother of the universe.” [Rf. Glasson, *Greek Influence in Jewish Eschatology*, p. 69.]

Daeva (Deva)—in early Persian mythology, the daevas were evil spirits created by Ahriman; but in Hinduism they were divine and benevolent spirits. In theosophy they constitute “one of the ranks or orders of spirits who compose the hierarchy which rules the universe under the deity.” [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 121.]

Daghiel [Dagiel]

Dagiel (Daghiel, Daiel)—an angel whose dominion is over fish. According to Barrett, *The Magus*, Dagiel is invoked in Friday conjuration rites. He is addressed, in such rites as “great angel, strong and powerful prince,” and is supplicated in the name of the “star” Venus. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*; *The Book of the Sacred*



Dagon, the national god of the Philistines, commonly represented with the body of a fish. A bas relief reproduced from Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*.

Magic of Abra-Melin the Mage; and de Claremont, *The Ancient's Book of Magic*.]

Dagon—a fallen angel in *Paradise Lost* I, 457. To the ancient Phoenicians, however, Dagon was a national god, represented with the face and hands of a man and the body of a fish.

Dagymiel—a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Dahak [Ahriman, the Satan of Persia]

Dahariel (Dariel)—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, a guard of the 1st Heaven, and an angel of the order of shinanim (q.v.). In *Hechaloth Rabbati* Dahariel is a guard of the 5th Heaven.

Dahavauron—prince of the face and one of the angelic guards of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 117.]

Dahaviel (Kahaviel)—one of the 7 guards of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Hechaloth Rabbati*.]

Dahnay—one of the “holy angels of God” who, nevertheless, may be invoked in black-magic conjurations, as prescribed in the grimoires. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Dai (Dey)—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of*

Moses, an angel of the order of powers. In ancient Persian lore, Dai was the angel of December.

Daiel [Dagiel]

Daimon [Daemon]

Daksha—one of 7 shining gods of Vedic religion. [See Adityas.]

Dalkiel—angel of Hell, ruler of Sheol, and equated with Rugziel (q.v.). In *Baraita de Massachet Gehinnom*, Dalkiel operates in the 7th compartment of the underworld, “punishing 10 nations,” and serving under orders of Duma(h), who is the angel of the stillness of death. [See writings of Joseph Gikatilla ben Abraham (1248–1305).]

Dalmai(i) (Dalmay, Damlay)—in occultism, “a holy angel of God” invoked in the exorcism of fire. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.]

Dalquiel—in the cabala, one of the 3 princes of the 3rd Heaven, the other 2 being Jabniel and Rabacyal. All 3 rule over fire, under the ethnarchy of Anahel. Dalquiel’s special aide is the angel called Oul (q.v.).

Damabiah—an angel of the order of angels, with dominion over naval construction. Damabiah is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorac. His corresponding angel is Ptebiou. For the sigil of Damabiah, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 294.

Damabiath—an angel of the order of powers, invoked in cabalistic rites. He manifests in the form of a beautiful mortal via the 5th seal. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Dameal—a Tuesday angel resident in the 5th Heaven. He is invoked from the east. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Dameb’el—one of the 72 angels ruling the 72 quinaries of the zodiac, according to Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.

Daniel—angel of the 5th hour, serving under the rulership of Sazquiel; or angel of the 9th hour, serving under the rulership of Vadriel. Daniel is

invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Damlay [Dalmai]

Daniel ("God is my judge")—an angel of the order of principalities, according to Waite, *The Lemegeton*. Daniel (as Danjal) is one of a troop of fallen angels, listed in *Enoch I*. In the lower regions he exercises authority over lawyers. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289. On the other hand, according to Barrett, *The Magus*, Daniel is a high holy angel (one of 72) who bears the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Danjal [Daniel]

Dara—in Persian mythology, angel of rains and rivers. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 378.]

Darbiel—an angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under Oriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Dardael [Dardiel]

Darda'il—in Arabic lore a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Dardariel—chief ruling angel of the 11th hour of the night.

Dardiel—one of the 3 angels of the Lord's Day, the other 2 angels being Michael and Hurtapel. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Daresiel—an angel of the 1st hour of the day, serving under Samael.

Dargitael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 5th heavenly hall.

Dariel [Dahariel]

Dark Angel, The—the angel-man-God who wrestled with Jacob at Peniel, an incident related in Genesis 32:30. Various identified as Michael, Metatron, Uriel, or the Lord Himself. According to *The Zohar* (Vayishlah 170a) the angel was Samael, "chieftain of Esau." In Talmudic sources, the angel was Michael-Metatron. According to Clement of Alexandria, the angel was the Holy

Ghost. [Rf. Clement of Alexandria *Instructor I*, 7, and, for Talmudic sources, Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews V*, 305.] The subject is illustrated by Rembrandt and Doré, among others.

Darkiel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim II*, 316.]

Darmosiel—an angel of the 12th hour of the night, serving under Sarindiel.

Darquiell—an angel of Monday, residing in the 1st Heaven. He is invoked from the south. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Daryoel—variant form of Radueriel. [Rf. *3 Enqch*, chap. 27.]

Dasim—one of the 5 sons of the Muslim fallen archangel Iblis or Eblis. Dasim is the demon of discord. The other 4 sons are Awar, demon of lubricity; Sut, demon of lies; Tir, demon of fatal accidents; Zalambur, demon of mercantile dishonesty.

Daveithe—in gnosticism, one of the 4 great luminaries surrounding the Self-Begotten (i.e., God).

David—one of the 7 archons in gnosticism, according to the *Catholic Encyclopedia*, "Gnosticism."

Days—in the view of Theodotus, angels are called days. See "Excerpts of Theodotus" in the *Ante-Nicene Fathers Library*.

Dealzhat—in Mosaic cabalistic lore, a mighty and secret name of God, or a great luminary whom Joshua invoked (along with the name of Baahando) to cause the sun to stand still—an incident related in Joshua 10:12-13.

Degaliel—an angel's name found inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Venus. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 49.]

Degalim—an angelic suborder of the Song-Uttering Choirs, serving under Tagas. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Deharhriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 5th heavenly hall.

Deheborym—in the *Pirke Hechaloth*, an angelic guard of the 1st Heaven.

Deliel—one of the angels of the 4th chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*. Cornelius Agrippa cites Deliel as a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Delukiel—one of the angelic guards of the 7th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 119.]

Demiurge (Demiourgos)—the gnostic writer Basilides called Demiurge the great archon (ruler). To Valentinus he was “an angel like God” and identified with the God of the Jews. Demiurge has always been identified with Mithras. A title for the Demiurge, “Architect of the Universe,” denotes or suggests that it was Demiurge, not God, who formed the world, at the instance of En Soph, the Unknowable. [Rf. Legge, *Fore-runners and Rivals of Christianity*, p. 107 fn.; Irenaeus, *Contra Haereses* I, 1.] In the cabala, says Westcott in his *The Study of the Kabalah*, the Greek Demiourgos is Metatron.

Demon [Daimon]

Demoniarch—a title for Satan. [Rf. Schneweis, *Angels and Demons According to Lactantius*, p. 105.]

Deputies—in his “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils” Voltaire speaks of deputies as an order of angels, “one of 10 classes in Talmud and Targum.”

Deputy Angels—in Jewish magic, the deputy angels are the *memunim*, a class of spirits who appear to do the invocant’s bidding when properly invoked. Usually they are regarded as evil, but Eleazar of Worms (13th-century sage) insists they are holy angels. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Deramiel—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven, as cited in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Derdekea—a heavenly female power who descends to earth for the salvation of man. In the gnostic *Paraphrase of Shem*, Derdekea is referred to as the Supreme Mother. [See Drop.]

Destroying Angel (Angel of Destruction)—a term for the angel of death. David met and appeased the destroying angel at Mt. Moriah. In *The Book of Wisdom* (ed. Reider) the destroying angel is Kolazonta, the “chastiser.” The Danites, a Christian band organized for secret assassination, were called “Destroying Angels.” They were incorrectly associated with the early Mormon Church. [Cf. Manoaah of the Danite clan in Judges 13:2; Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology, Folklore and Symbols*.]

Destroying Angel of the Apocalypse—Abaddon or Apollyon, who is also called “chief of the demons of the 7th dynasty.” This is according to Christian demonologists, says Grillot in *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 128.

Devatas—in Vedic lore, the devatas are analogous to the Judaeo-Christian angels. The term is often used interchangeably with the suryas (q.v.).

Devil, The [Satan]

Dey [Dai]

Diabolus or **Diabolos** [Asteroth]—to Bunyan in his *Holy War*, Diabolus is the devil. His aides in the war against Shaddai (God) include Apollyon, Python, Cerberus, Legion, Lucifer, and other “diabolonians.”

Dibburiel—variant form of Radueriel. [Rf. *3 Enoch*, chap. 27.]

Didnaor—an angel mentioned in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* (*Sefer Raziel*).

Dina—a guardian angel of the Law (Torah) and of wisdom. Dina is also known as Yefefiah and as Iofiel). He is credited with having taught 70 languages to souls created at the time of Creation. He dwells in the 7th Heaven. [Rf. *Revelation of Moses* in M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts in Folklore*.]

Diniel—an angel invoked in Syriac incantation rites. Diniel is also cited as one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. In *The Book of Protection* he is grouped with Michael, Prukiel, Zadikiel, and other “spellbinding angels” in the “binding [of]

the tongue of the ruler." [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 278.]

Dirachiel—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon. In the view of Barrett, *The Magus II*, Dirachiel is an "extra" among the 7 Electors of Hell.

Dirael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 6th heavenly hall.

Divine Beasts—the holy hayyoth (*q.v.*).

Divine Wisdom—in the cabala, divine wisdom or chochma is the 2nd of the holy sefiroth, and personified in the angel Raziel (*q.v.*).

Djibril (Jibril, Gabriel)—called, in the Koran, the "Faithful Spirit."

Dobiel [Dubbiel]

Dodekas—in Valentinian gnosticism, divine powers operating under the rule of Ogdoas (*q.v.*).

Dohel [Boel]

Dokiel—"the weighing angel" or, as Dokiel is called in *The Testament of Abraham XIII*, "the archangel who is like the sun, holding the balance in his hand." The name is derived from Isaiah 40:15: "by the dust [dk] in the balance."

Domedon-Doxomedon—described as the "aeon of aeons" and one of the Ogdoas (*q.v.*). [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 178.]

Domiel (Dumiel; Abir Gahidriom)—in Merkabah mysticism, a guardian angel of the 6th hall of the 7th Heaven. Domiel is an archon, "prince of majesty, fear, and trembling." He is also a ruler of the 4 elements. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.] As the gatekeeper of Hell, says Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*, p. 362, Domiel is mistakenly confused with Duma.

Dominations (dominions, lords, lordships)—in the Dionysian scheme, the dominations rank 4th in the celestial hierarchy. In Hebrew lore they are the hashmallim, according to Barrett, *The Magus*, where the chief of the order is given as Hashmal or

Zadkiel. Says Dionysius: "they regulate angels' duties and are perpetually aspiring to true lordship; through them the majesty of God is manifested." The order is headed by Pi-Zeus (in horoscopy). [Cf. Colossians 1:16: "Dominions or principalities or powers" and *Enoch II*, 20:1: "lordships and principalities and powers."] In *The Book of Enoch*, lordships is given in lieu of dominions or dominations. Emblems of authority: sceptres, orbs.

Dominion—the name of "the oldest angel," according to Philo. [Rf. Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes*.]

Domos—an angel invoked in magical operations; also one of the 12 names for the Evil Eye. A variation of Domol. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Donachiel—in occult lore, an angel invoked to command demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Donahan—in the cabala, an archangel summoned in magical rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Donel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim II*, 316.]

Doniel—one of the 72 angel rulers of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Donquel—a prince (angel) of love invoked to procure the woman of an invocant's desire. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 301.]

Doremiel—a Friday angel invoked from the north. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Dormiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim II*, 316.]

Doucheil—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Douth—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places," as

recorded in *The Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 177, where the names of the 9 angels are revealed by Beliar to Bartholomew.

Doxomedon—one of the great luminaries cited in the gnostic *Revelations of Zostrian*.

Dracon—an angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 69.]

Dragon—in Revelation 12:9, Satan is termed “the great dragon . . . that old serpent” who was “cast out into the earth,” along with the angels who followed him. In Psalms 91:13, “the saints shall trample the dragon under their feet.” Michael (St. Michael) is usually represented as the slayer of the dragon. He is thus the forerunner of St. George. In classical legend, the dragon guarded the golden apples in the garden of Hesperides. In gnosticism, dragon is a term for the angel of dawn. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology, Folklore and Symbols*.]

Dramazod—an angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash.

Dramozin—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel.

Drelmeth—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguanriel.

Drial—one of the angelic guards stationed in the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Drop—in the gnostic *Berlin Codex*, a female heavenly power who descends to earth for the salvation of mankind. [See *Derdeke*.]

Drsmiel—an evil angel, one of the *nomina barbara*, summoned in conjuration rites for separating a husband from his wife. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Dubbiel (Dubiel, Dobiel—“bear-god”)—guardian angel of Persia and one of the special accusers of Israel. It is rumored that Dubbiel once officiated in Heaven for 21 days as proxy for Gabriel when the latter (over whom Dubbiel scored a victory) was in temporary disgrace. [Rf. Talmud *Yoma* 79a.] In the light of the legend that all 70 or 72 tutelary angels of nations (except Michael, protector of Israel) became corrupted

Vision of the ram and the he-goat (Rf. Daniel 8) with Daniel kneeling before the angel Gabriel. From Strachan, *Pictures from a Mediaeval Bible*. [Note—The ram represents the kings of Media and Persia, while the he-goat represents the king of Greece.]





Woodcut from the Cologne Bible. Left, Michael spearing the dragon (also known as the devil and Satan). Center, the beast with the 7 crowned heads. Right, a beast with horns like a lamb, and fire dropping from heaven. Illustration for Revelation 12, 7-10 and 13, 1. From Strachan, *Pictures from a Mediaeval Bible*.

through national bias, Dubbiel must be regarded corrupt and an evil angel, a demon.

Duchiel—an angel invoked in Solomonic magic for commanding demons. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Duhael—an angel of non-Hebraic origin. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 99.]

Duma(h) or **Douma** (Aramaic, "silence")—the angel of silence and of the stillness of death. Duma is also the tutelary angel of Egypt, prince of Hell, and angel of vindication. *The Zohar* speaks of him as having "tens of thousands of angels of destruction" under him, and as being "chief of demons in Gehinnom [i.e., Hell] with 12,000 myriads of attendants, all charged with the punishment of the souls of sinners." [Rf. Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.] In the Babylonian legend of the descent of Istar into Hades, Duma shows up as the guardian of the 14th gate. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.] Duma is a popular figure in Yiddish folklore. I. B. Singer's *Short Friday* (1964), a collection of stories, mentions Duma(h) as a "thousand-eyed angel of death, armed with a fiery rod or flaming sword."

Dumariel—an angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

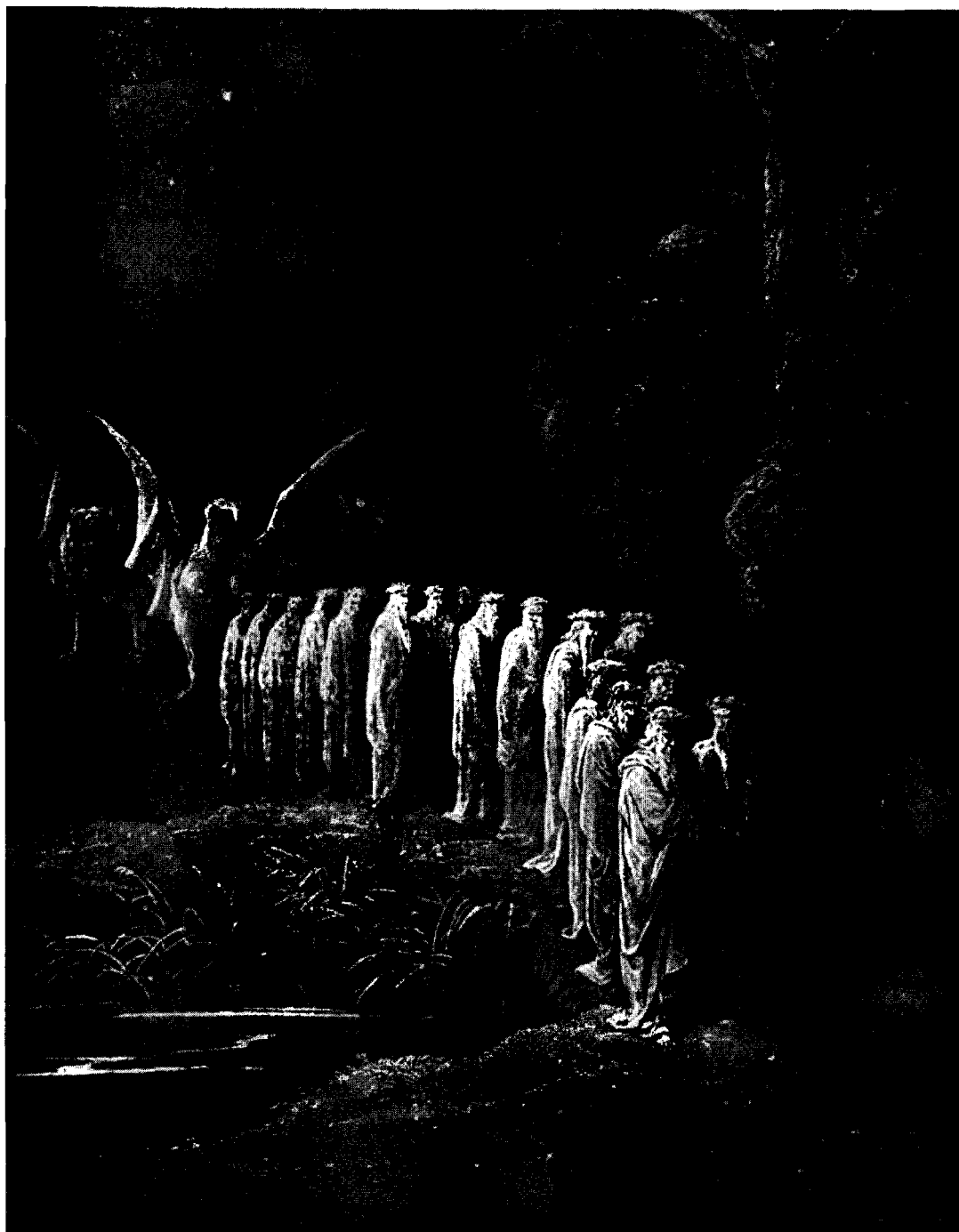
Dumiel [Domiel]

Dunahel [Alimiel]

Durba'il—in Arabic lore a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Duvdeviyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Dynamis (or Dunamis)—one of the 7 aeons who, as is said of Pistis Sophia, procreated the superior angels. In gnosticism, Dynamis is the chief male personification of power, just as Pistis Sophia is chief female personification of wisdom. Cf. Matthew 26:64: "Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power." [See Preisendanz, *Papyri Graecae Magicae* II.] In hechaloth lore, according to Scholem in *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, Dynamis is a secret name of Metatron. Steiner, *The Work of the Angels in Man's Astral Body*, equates Dynamis with Might.



The Elders in the Mystic Procession by Doré. Illustration to Canto 29 of Dante's *Purgatorio*. From Dante, *The Divine Comedy*, translated by Lawrence Grant White.



Ea [Taurine Angel]

Ebed—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Eblis (Iblis, Haris—"despair")—in Persian and Arabic lore, Eblis is the equivalent of the Christian Satan. As an angel in good standing he was once treasurer of the heavenly Paradise, according to Ibn Abbas in Jung's *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*. Beckford in the oriental romance *Vathek* introduces Eblis thus: "Before his fall he [Eblis] was called Azazel. When Adam was created, God commanded all the angels to worship him [Adam], but Eblis refused." Cf. Koran, *sura* 18; also the legend related in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 63: "Me thou hast created of smokeless fire, and shall I reverence a creature made of dust?" Thereupon God turned Eblis into a *shetan* (devil) and he became the father of devils. To Augustine (*Enchiridion*, 28) and to Mohammed (in the Koran) Eblis is a jinn rather than an angel or a fallen angel. The Arabs have 3 categories of spirits: angels, jinn (good and evil), and demons. There is a tradition that the great

grandson of Eblis was taught by Mohammed certain *suras* of the Koran. [Rf. *The Encyclopaedia of Islam* III, 191.]

Ebriel—the 9th of the 10 unholy sefiroth (*q.v.*). [Rf. Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria's texts.]

Ebuhuel—an angel of omnipotence, one of 8, as recorded in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. Ebuhuel may be invoked in cabalistic conjurations.

Ecanus (Elkanah)—as noted in the apocalyptic *Esdras* (*IV Esdras*, 14:42) Ecanus is one of 5 "men" (i.e., angels) who, on orders from God, transcribed the 94 (or 204) books dictated to them by Ezra. The 5 "men" were, including Ecanus, Sarea, Dabria, Selemia, Asiel. Some versions give Ethan for Ecanus. Of the books, 70 were to be kept hidden, "reserved for the wise among the Jews." These contained esoteric knowledge; the rest were for public use.

Efchal (Efchiel)—another name for the angel Zophiel? [See *The Book of the Angel Raziel* I, 42b; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*; West, "Names

of Milton's Angels," in *Studies in Philology* XLVII, 2 (April 1950).]

Efniel—an angel belonging to the order of cherubim. In *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, the name Efniel, which occurs there, might have been Milton's inspiration (says R. H. West, quoted in the Efchal entry) for Zephon.

Egibiël—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. [See Appendix for the names of all 28 angels.]

Egion—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 7th heavenly hall.

Egoroi [Grigori]

Egregori [Grigori]

Egrimiel (Egrumiel)—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, an angelic guard stationed in one of the halls of the 6th Heaven.

Eheres—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. [Rf. *Clavicula Salomonis*; Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*, p. 25.] Lewis Spence claims that the name is "attributed to the Holy Spirit."

Eiael—an angel with dominion over occult sciences, longevity, etc. Eiael is also one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel is Abiou. The sigil of Eiael is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 294. When Eiael is conjured up, the invocant must recite the 4th verse of Psalm 36.

Eighth Heaven—this Heaven in Hebrew is called Muzaloth. *Enoch II* says it is the home of the 12 signs of the zodiac; but the 9th heaven is also given as the home of the signs.

Eirnilus—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, a genius (angel) with dominion over fruit. He serves also as one of the genii of the 6th hour.

Eisheth Zenunim (Isheth Zenunim)—in Zoharistic cabala, an angel of whoredom or prostitution, one of the 4 mates of the evil Sammael (q.v.).

The other 3 angels in the profession are Lilith, Naamah, and Agrat bat Mahlah(t).

Eistibus—genius of divination, one of the genii of the 4th hour.

El (pl. elohim)—a term for God or angel. In Canaanitish epic lore, El is the angel who begot Shahar and Shalim by a mortal woman.

Eladel—one of the 72 angels ruling the zodiac, as listed in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.

El-Adrel—in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 248, a genius (angel) who is invoked to bring the invocant the music of his choice. El-Adrel is mentioned in the *Book of Powers*.

Elamiz—an angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 70.]

Elamos—in Solomonic conjuring rites, a spirit invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

El Auria—angel of flame. El Auria is equated with Ouriel or Uriel.

Elders—the Revelation of St. John speaks of 24 Elders sitting on 24 thrones around the throne of God, clothed in white garments, "having each a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints." According to Charles, *Critical Commentary on the Revelation of St. John* (p. 130), the Elders are angels, acting as "angeli interpretes" to John. They constitute, Charles believes, "a college or order of angels," deriving originally from the 24 Babylonian star-gods, and are the angelic representatives of the 24 priestly orders. In *Enoch II* (Slavonic Enoch), the Elders are to be found in the 1st of the 7 heavens. In the pseudographical *Vision of Paul* the 24 Elders are among cherubim and archangels in Heaven, "singing hymns." Dante in *Purgatorio*, canto 29, speaks of the "four and twenty elders, two-by-two, upon their brows crowns of fleurs-de-lis." Gustave Doré did an engraving for *The Divine Comedy* showing the Elders in mystic procession. Prudentius (Latin Christian poet, 4th-5th century



St. John and the Twenty-four Elders in Heaven by Dürer. From Willi Kurth, *The Complete Woodcuts of Dürer*.

C.E.) describes the Elders in a poem called "Dip-tychon," written to accompany paintings or mosaics for a church [Rf. Cockerell, *Book of the Old Testament Illustrations*].

Elect One, The—in *Enoch I (The Book of Enoch)*, the elect one is identified as Metatron (q.v.) and the Son of Man, or the lord of spirits.

Electors—in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, there are 7 planetary spirits or angels of Hell, the notion deriving from the *maskim* of the Akkadians. The 7 are: Barbiel (under the rule of Zaphiel), Mephistophiel (under Zadkiel), Ganael (under Apadiel and Camael), Aciel (under Raphael), Anael (under Haniel), Ariel (under Michael), Marbuel (under Gabriel). In the *Magia Naturalis et Innaturalis*, the electors are fiends (not angels), and their names are given as: Dirachiel, Amnodiel, Adriel, Amudiel, Tagriel, Annixiel, Geliel, Eequiel. Agrippa's list of the 7 electors, which more or less agrees with the list in *The Testament of Solomon*, has Bludon and Apadiel in place of Anael and Ganael.

Eleinos—in gnostic lore, one of the powers or aeons. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

El El—one of the angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. Cited in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Eleleth (Heleleth)—in the *Apocryphon of John*, one of the 4 luminaries that stand around the arch-aeon Autogenes. [Cf. Phronesis; see Heleleth.]

Elemiah—one of the 8 seraphim of the Tree of Life in the *Book of Yetsirah*, and an angel (one of 72) bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. Elemiah rules over voyages and maritime expeditions. His corresponding angel is Senacher. For the sigil of Elemiah, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.

Eliel (Elael)—in Montgomery's *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*, an angel "that may be invoked in ritual magic."

Elijah (Gr. Elias—"my God is Jehovah")—in the Old Testament, 2 Hebrew patriarchs were translated to Heaven while they were still in the flesh: God "took" Enoch (Genesis 5); Elijah was

transported in a fiery chariot (II Kings 2:11). Enoch was transformed into the angel Metatron; Elijah into Sandalphon (although there is a legend that Elijah was an angel from the very beginning: "one of the greatest and mightiest of the fiery angel host"). Another legend relates that Elijah fought the angel of death, subdued him, and would have annihilated him but for the intervention of God (Who had, it seems, further use for the angel of death—at least, for this particular one). In Talmud there is a similar tale relating to Moses' encounter with an angel of death—in fact, with several of them. Malachi 4:5 prophesies that Elijah would be the forerunner of the Messiah. In Luke, Elijah appears with Moses on the Mount of Transfiguration, in conversation with Jesus. In Heaven, according to *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer*, Elijah is the "psychopomp whose duty is to stand at the crossways of Paradise and guide the pious to their appointed places." The hasidic Rabbi Elimelekh of Lizensk (d. 1786) referred to Elijah after his transfiguration as the "Angel of the Covenant" (q.v.). In Jewish homes, at Passover festivals, the cup of Elijah is filled with wine, and a place is left vacant at the seder for him, "the expected guest." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.] The British Museum, Oriental Division, owns a manuscript (6673) showing Elijah eating the fruit of the Tree of Life in Paradise, at which he is joined by Enoch. The drawing is reproduced in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 277. Blake, in his *Marriage of Heaven and Hell*, pictures Elijah as a composite devil and angel. "I beheld the Angel who stretched out his arms embracing the flame of fire, and he was consumed and arose as Elijah. Blake adds a note: "This Angel, who is now become a Devil, is my particular friend."

Elilaos—in gnosticism, Elilaos is one of 7 archons, resident of the 6th Heaven. [Rf. "Gnosticism," *Catholic Encyclopedia*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Elim ("trees"; in Hebrew, "mighty ones")—the guardian angel of Libbeus the Apostle. The term elim also denotes a high order of angels (mentioned in 3 *Enoch*) along with the orders of erelim and tafsarim (q.v.).

Elimelech ("my God is king")—an angel of Summer, according to R. M. Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*, p. 43, who claims the name is derived from *Enoch I*, 82:13–20. Associated with the angel He'el, "leader of the heads of thousands."

Elimiel—in Jewish cabala, the angel (spirit, intelligence) of the moon.

Eliphantiasai—an angel of the 3rd chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*.

Elion or Elyon (Phoenician, "the most high")—an aide to Ofaniel in the 1st Heaven. Elion is an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed; also a ministering angel. By invoking Elion, Moses was able to bring down hail on Egypt at the time of the plagues. Elion is also the deity of Melchizedek whom Abraham is represented to have identified with Yahweh (God). Cf. Genesis 14, 18, 19, 22. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

Elkanah [Ecanus]

Eloa—the great (male) angel in Klopstock, *The Messiah*. In Alfred de Vigny's poem "Eloa" (1823) it is the name of a female angel born of a tear shed by Jesus.

Eloai—according to Origen, one of the 7 archons in the Ophitic (gnostic) system.

Eloeus—in Phoenician mythology, one of the 7 elohim (angels) of the presence, builders of the universe. In Ophitic (gnostic) lore, he is one of 7 potentates, rulers of the 7 Heavens, who constitute the Hebdomad. [Rf. Epiphanius, *Penarion*.]

Elogium—an angel who rules over the month of Elul (September), in the Hebrew calendar. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.] Ordinarily the ruling angel of September is Uriel (Zuriel).

Eloha (pl. Elohaym or Elohim)—an angel of the order of powers, as named in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. Eloha is summoned up in conjuring rites by cabalists.

Eloheij—an angel of the Seal, as cited in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Elohi—an angel invoked in the exorcism of fire. Elohi is 5th of the angelic hierarchies answering to the 10 divine names. In Solomonic conjuration rites, Elohi is invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art. [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] According to Mathers, when the name of Elohi is pronounced "God will dry up the sea and the rivers."

Elohim—in Hebrew, elohim stands for Jehovah (YHWH) in the singular or plural. The term derives from the female singular "eloh" plus the masculine plural "im," God thus being conceived originally as androgynous. In I Samuel 28:13, where the woman (not the witch) of Endor tells Saul "I saw gods [the Hebrew here gives elohim] ascending out of the earth," the word would seem to designate spirits of the departed (from below, not from above) rather than God or gods. In *The Zohar* (Numbers 208b), Rabbi Isaac, commenting on the passage in Deuteronomy "And God [Elohim] came to Balaam," says: "What we have learnt is that Elohim in this passage designates an angel, because sometimes the angel is called by the superior name." In the Mirandola listing of the celestial hierarchy, the elohim rank 9th (where Dionysius gives the order as angels). In *The Book of Formation*, elohim is listed 7th of the 10 sefiroth and corresponds to netzach (victory). See Blake's drawing, "Elohim Giving Life to Adam."

Eloi (Eloiein)—one of the 7 angels created by Ildabaoth "in his own image." [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15.]

Eloiein (Eloi)—one of the 7 archons (celestial powers) in gnostic cosmology. [Rf. "Gnosticism," *Catholic Encyclopedia*.]

Elomeel (Ilylumiel)—in Enoch lore (*Enoch I*, 82:14), one of the leaders of the angels of the seasons.

Elomnia (Elomina)—one of the 5 chief angel princes of the 3rd altitude. [Rf. *The Almadel of Solomon*.]

Elorkhaiois—a mysterious entity to whom the secrets of creation were divulged, as related in the gnostic *Paraphrase of Shem*.

Elubatel—one of the 8 angels of omnipotence. Two angels of omnipotence in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* are Ebuhuel and Atuesuel. They are conjured in the citation of Leviathans. In the dismissal, each angel's name "must be called 3 times toward the 4 quarters of the earth, and 3 times must be blown with the horn."

Emekmiyahu—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Emial—in occultism, an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Emmanuel ("God with us")—the angel in the fiery furnace who appeared beside Sidras, Misac, and Abednego. In conjuring rites, Emmanuel is summoned up under the 3rd Seal. In de Vigny's poem "Le Déluge," Emmanuel is the name of an angel as well as the name of the son of an angel by a mortal woman. In the cabala, Emmanuel is a sefira of Malkuth (the Kingdom) in the Briatic world. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Empire—an angelic order cited in lieu of virtues in White, *A History of the Warfare of Science with Theology in Christendom*.

Empyrean—in Christian angelology, the empyrean is the abode of God and the angels. To Ptolemy, it is the 5th Heaven, seat of the deity, as it is to Dante and Milton.

Enediel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. Enediel is, specifically, a spirit of the 2nd day of the moon in its waning phase. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Eneiye—in occult lore, an angel of the Seal invoked in magical rites.

Enga—one of the ineffable names of God used in Monday conjurations addressed to Lucifer. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Enoch-Metatron—the patriarch Enoch, on his translation to Heaven (Genesis 5:24), became Metatron, one of the greatest of the hierarchs, "king over all the angels." Cf. the Assyrian legend

in the *Epic of Izdubar*. On earth, as a mortal, Enoch is said to have composed 366 books (the Enoch literature). Legend has it that Enoch-Metatron is twin-brother to Sandalphon (*q.v.*); that when he was glorified he was given 365,000 eyes and 36 pairs of wings. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*.] The spectacular mode of Elijah's conveyance to Heaven, as reported in II Kings 2, had, it seems, an earlier parallel in the case of Enoch, for the latter also was whisked away "in a fiery chariot drawn by fiery chargers," as related in *The Legends of the Jews I*, 130; however, a few pages farther on (p. 138) it transpires that it wasn't a horse or a team of horses, but an angel (Anpiel) who transported the antediluvian patriarch from earth to Heaven. But that may have been on a different journey. To the Arabs, Enoch was Idris (Koran, *sura* 19, 56). In the *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer* the invention of astronomy and arithmetic is laid to Enoch. Legend connects Enoch-Metatron with Behemoth. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

En Suf (Ain Soph—"the boundless")—in the cabala, a name for the supreme, invisible, unimaginable creator of the universe, the substance of God which became personalized in the Partusufim. Cf. the Zoroastrian Zervan Akarana; the writings of Cordovero and Scholem.

Entities—an order of angels in occult lore. These angels were sheathed in gold lamé. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Enwo—in Mandaean lore, a spirit of one of the 7 planets; specifically he is the *uthra* (angel) of science and wisdom, to be compared with Raphael in Judaeo-Christian angelology.

Eoluth—a cherub or seraph used for conjuring by cabalists. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Eomiahe—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Eon [Aeon]

Ephemerae—angels that lived only for a day or less, expiring right after they finished chanting

the Te Deum. [Rf. Daniel 7:10; Talmud *Hagiga* 14a.]

Epima—the corresponding angel for Eiael (q.v.).

Epinoia—in Valentinian gnosticism, the 1st female manifestation of God. Cf. the Shekinah, also Holy Ghost (the latter being regarded in some sources as the mother of the living, Zoe, hence female). [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 202.]

Epititiokh—a virgin aeon, mentioned in gnostic lore. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 178.]

Eradin—the name of an angel invoked in special ceremonial rites. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Erastiel—an angel serving in the 4th division of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 139.]

Erathaol (Erathaoth)—one of the 7 archons in gnostic theology. Origen (in *Contra Celsum* VI, 30), drawing on Ophitic sources, lists Erathaol or Erathaoth, along with Michael, Raphael, Gabriel, Onoel, Thautabaoth, and Suriel. When invoked, Erathaol manifests in the form of a dog. [Rf. Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* I, 294.]

Erathaoth [Erathaol]

Eregbuo—corresponding angel for the angel Daniel (q.v.).

Erel—the name of a holy angel or of God by which demons are commanded to appear in Solomonian conjuration rites. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Erel(l)im or **Arelim** (“the valiant ones”)—also called ishim; an order of angels in the celestial hierarchy equated with the order of thrones. The name is derived from Isaiah 33:7. The erelim, composed of white fire, are stationed in the 3rd (or 4th or 5th) Heaven and consist of 70,000 myriads. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, the erelim are said to be appointed over grass, trees, fruit, and grain. They were pointed out to

Moses by Metatron when the Lawgiver visited Paradise. [Rf. *Revelation of Moses*.] Talmud *Kathaboth* 104a speaks of the “angelic order aralim and the most distinguished of men being caught at the sacred ark,” and that “the angelic order prevailed, and the sacred ark was captured.” The erelim are “one of 10 classes of angels under the rulership of Michael,” according to *Maseket Azilut*. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Eremiel (Jerimiel, Hierimiel, Jeremiel, Remiel, etc.)—an angel who watches over souls in the underworld. In *Apocalypse of Elias* (ed. Steindorff), Eremiel is equated with Uriel. Variants appear in *IV Esdras* and *Apocalypse of Sophonias*.

Ergedial—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Erionas (Erione)—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. [Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Ermosiel—an angel of the 2nd hour, serving under Anael.

Ero—the corresponding angel for Haziel (q.v.).

Erotosi—planetary genius of Mars, invoked in talismanic magic. [Rf. *The History and Practice of Magic* (I, 68, 317; II, 475). In hermetics, Erotosi is head of the order of powers.

Ettrael—a fallen angel listed in *The Book of Enoch*.

Erygion—the name of an angel (or of God) that Joshua invoked in order to gain victory over the Moabites. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Erzla—in the *Clavicula Salomonis*, a benign angel invoked in conjuring rites.

Esabiel—an angel of the order of powers; he is mentioned in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*, suppl.

Escavor—in the *Grimorium Verum*, an angel invoked in Solomonian magical rites.

Eschiel (Eshiel)—one of 4 angels whose names are inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet

Mars, the names of the other 3 angels being Ithuriel, Madiniel, and Bortzachiak (Barzachia).

Eschiro—in the cabala, an angel of the 7 planets invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Eserchie/Oriston—the name of an angel (or of God) invoked by Moses when the latter brought forth frogs in Egypt as one of the plagues (frogs were also brought forth by invoking the name of Zabaoth). [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.] According to Barrett, *The Magus II*, the name of Eserchie/Oriston was invoked by Moses when turning the rivers of Egypt into blood.

Eshiniel—in *The Book of Protection*, an angel invoked in Syriac spellbinding charms.

Eshmadai—in rabbinic literature, a king of demons; he is compared by some with the Persian Aeshma Deva, by others with the Hebrew Shamad the Destroyer. [Rf. Bouisson, *Magic, Its History and Principal Rites*; see Ashmedai.]

Esor—a cherub or a seraph used by cabalists in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Esphares—the name of an angel or of God used in conjuring rites. Mentioned in *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.

Espiacent—an angel used in the exorcism of Wax for bringing about the successful accomplishment of one's work. Psalms must be cited after the rites of exorcism. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Estael—in black-magic lore (*The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*) Estael is an intelligence of the planet Jupiter. He is usually invoked in the company of 3 other intelligences of the planet—Kadiel, Maltiel, and Huphatriel.

Estes—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Eth ("time")—an angelic power, a ministering angel, charged with seeing to it that "all events occur at their appointed time." [Rf. *The Zohar* (Miqez, 194a); see also Time.]

Ethan [Ecanus]

Ethnarchs—angels that exercise authority over nations (the tutelary angels, of which there were 70). [See Guardian Angels; Rf. Danielou, *The Angels and their Mission*.]

Etraphill—one of the Arabic angels who will sound the trumpet on the Day of Judgment. Etraphill is very likely a variant form for Israfel.

Etrempsuchos (Astrompsuchos)—one of the celestial guardians of one of the 7 Heavens. Cited in the Bodleian Library *Bruce Papyrus*.

Euchey—an angel invoked in the exorcism of evil spirits through the application of incense and fumigation. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Eudaemon—a good spirit, a daemon. One of the Greek terms for angel.

Eurabatres—an angel of the planet Venus. [See Iurabatres.]

Eve [Angel of Humanity]

Eved—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Exael—in *Enoch I*, an angel spoken of as the "10th of the great angels that taught men how to fabricate engines of war, works in silver and gold, the uses of gems and perfume," etc. He operates supposedly from the nether regions. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Exercitus—an appellation (like *Strateia*, q.v.) for an angelic host. [Rf. *Pesikta Rabbati* XV, 69a; "Angelology," in *Jewish Encyclopedia*.]

Existon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. Existon is cited in *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Exousia—the Greek term for the angelic order translated variously as power, authority, virtue, in the New Testament. To Steiner (*The Work of the Angels in Man's Astral Body*) the exousia are "Spirits of Form" in the angelic hierarchy.

Extabor—"one of the fair angels of God" employed in the exorcism of Wax. Extabor is

mentioned in Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis* and in Shah, *Occultism*, p. 23.

Exterminans—the Latin name for Abaddon (q.v.). [Rf. Confraternity (Catholic) New Testament in its version of Revelation 9:11.]

Ezeqeel (Hebrew, "strength of God")—in *Enoch I*, a fallen angel who taught "augury from the clouds." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*, 125.]

Ezgadi—an angel's name used in conjuring rites for insuring the successful completion of journeys. Mentioned in *Hechaloth Rabbati*. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Ezoïl—a spirit (angel?) invoked in the exorcism of the Water. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

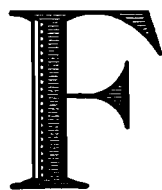
Ezra—the *Apocalypse of Esdras* (IV Esdras), referring to Ezra's translation to Heaven, thereafter accounts him "the scribe of the Most High, for ever and ever." Cf. Vretil, Enoch, Dabriel, all of whom are also accounted celestial scribes.

Ezrael (Hebrew "help of God")—an angel of wrath, as cited in the *Apocalypse of Peter*. In *Sefer Gan Eden* an angel is introduced "whose duty it is to save those of 'middle merit' or 'the unstable' ones from the angels of destruction; that angel is Ezrael (from ezra—help)." [Rf. *3 Enoch*, p. 182.]

Ezriel—an angel's name found inscribed in an Aramaic amulet discovered among the recent Dead Sea scrolls. Ezriel is referred to as an archangel in Montgomery's *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.]



Fallen Angels. A 12th-century French-Spanish conception, in the Bibliothèque Nationale. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Fabriel—an angel serving in the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Faith—one of the 3 theological virtues (with hope and charity) depicted as angels by 15th-century Florentine masters.

Fakr-Ed-Din (“poor one of faith”)—one of the 7 archangels in Yezidic religion. He is invoked in prayer. For the names of the other 6 Yezidic archangels, see Appendix. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

Fallen Angels—the notion of fallen angels is not found in the Old Testament. In books like Job, the God-appointed adversary is *ha-satan* (meaning “the adversary” and the title of an office, not the designation or name of an angel). The possible exceptions are I Chronicles 21 and II Samuel 24, where Satan seems to emerge as a distinct personality and is identified by name; but scholars are inclined to believe that in these 2 instances the definite article was inadvertently omitted in translation and that the original read “the satan,” i.e., “the adversary.” In the New

Testament, specifically in Revelation 12, the notion of a fallen angel and of fallen angels is spelt out: “And his [the dragon’s or Satan’s] tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven [angels] and did cast them to earth . . . and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth and his angels were cast out with him.” *Enoch I* claims that 200 fell, naming about 19 (allowing for variant spellings and repetitions) and listing “chiefs of ten,” the most prominent among them being Semyaza, Azazel, Sariel, Rumiël, Danjal, Turel, Kokabel. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*, 125, the chiefs are given as Shemhazai (Semyaza), Armaros, Barakel, Kawkabel (Kokabel), Ezkeel, Arakiel, Samsaweel, Seriel. William Auvergne, bishop of Paris (1228–1249), in his *De Universo*, held that, of the 9 orders of angels that were created, a “10th part fell,” some (as Cardinal Pullus also claimed) from each order, and that in their fallen state they retained their relative rank. [Rf. Lea, *Materials Toward a History of Witchcraft I*, 89.] According to Cardinal Bishop of Tusculum (1273), reaffirmed by Alphonso de Spina (c. 1460), the one-third that fell totaled 133,306,668, those

that remained loyal 266,613,336. As opposed to the contention that angels fell from each of the 9 orders, an opinion backed by papal authority holds that only the angels of the 10th (sic) order fell. The question is, which of the 9 orders is the 10th. [See Moore's *The Loves of the Angels*, p. 155.] In this book, Moore quotes Tertullian (*De Habitu Mulieb*) to the effect that all the chief luxuries of female adornment and enticement—"the necklaces, armlets, rouge, and the black powder for the eye-lashes" are to be traced to the researches and discoveries of the fallen angels. After the apostate angels fell, "the rest were confirmed in the perseverance of eternal beatitude," as Isidor of Seville assures us in his *Sententiae*—although Bible references to God's finding his angels (long after the Fall) untrustworthy point to a contrary conclusion. The cause of Satan's downfall has commonly been attributed to the sin of pride or of ambition ("by that sin fell the angels"). Another explanation sometimes offered with regard to the origin of fallen angels goes back to Genesis 6, where the sons of God (angels) "saw the daughters of men . . . and took them wives" from among them. Enoch saw 7 great stars like burning mountains which (so Enoch's guide told him) were being punished because they failed to rise at the appointed time. In other early writings, fallen angels were said to be shooting stars. Aquinas identified the fallen angels with demons. The Christian writers of the later Middle Ages looked upon all heathen divinities as demons. In most sources, the leader of the apostates is Satan, but in apocryphal writings the leader has also been called Mastema, Beliar (Beliel), Azazel, Belzebub, Sammael, etc. In Mohammedan lore he is Iblis. In *Levi 3* (*Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*) the fallen angels are "imprisoned in the 2nd Heaven." *Enoch II*, 7:1 also speaks of the fallen angels in the 2nd Heaven as "prisoners suspended [there], reserved for [and] awaiting the eternal judgment." "In most Jewish literature," says Caird in *Principalities and Powers*, "it was on account of mankind that the angels fell," and cites the *Apocalypse of Baruch* which goes so far as to say that it was "the physical nature of man which not only became a danger to his own soul, but resulted in the fall of

the angels." According to legend (Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*) the rebel angels fell for 9 days.

Famiel—a Friday angel of the air. Famiel serves in the 3rd Heaven and is invoked from the south.

Fanuel (Phanuel)—one of the 4 angels of the presence, as noted in *Ezra IV*, where Fanuel is said to be "Uriel under another aspect." But see Phanuel, where he is equated with Raguel, Ramiel, the Shepherd of Hermes, etc.

Farris—a governing angel of the 2nd hour of the night. [See *Praxil*.]

Farun Faro Vakshur—in ancient Persian theogony, the protecting angel of mankind. Cf. Metatron in Judaeo-Christian occult lore, where he is often referred to as the "sustainer of mankind."

Farvardin—angel of March (in ancient Persian lore). Farvardin also governed the 19th day of each month. He is called "one of the cherubim." [Rf. *The Dabistan*, pp. 35-36.]

Favashi (Pravashi, Farohars, Ferouers, Fervers, Farchers)—in Zoroastrianism, the celestial prototype of all created beings, the guardian angels of believers. They possessed a dual character or nature: angels on the one hand and, on the other, beings with human qualities, attributes, and thoughts. They were the fravardin of the Zend-Avesta, "female genii dwelling in all things and protectors of mankind." In Jacob Wassermann's novel *Dr. Kerkhoven*, the favashi are defined as "part of the human soul yet independent of the body . . . not destructible like the conscience and the mind . . . neither are they assigned to one and the same body; they may find themselves another body, provided it belongs to the pure." [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*; Heckethorn, *The Secret Societies of All Ages and Countries I*, 25; King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*.]

Feluth [Silat]

Female Angels—in Jewish occult lore, female angels are rare (the Shekinah is one). In gnostic lore there is, pre-eminently, Pistis Sophia

("faith, knowledge"), a great female aeon or archon, or angel. In Arabic legend, female angels are not uncommon and were often objects of worship or veneration; they were called *benad hasche*, that is, daughters of God.

Ferchers [Favashi]

Fiery Angel [Angel of Fire]

Fifth Heaven—the empyrean, seat of God and the angels—according to Ptolemy. Here "crouch the gigantic fallen angels in silent and everlasting despair," says Graves in *Hebrew Myths*, p. 36. These were the grigori, who were in the "northern" regions. Elsewhere in the 5th Heaven, whither a spirit carried him, the prophet Zephaniah beheld "angels that are called lords, and each of the angels had a crown upon his head as well as a throne shining 7 times brighter than the light of the sun"—quoted by Clement of Alexandria from the lost *Apocalypse of Zephaniah*. The prince guardian of the 5th Heaven is Shatqiel (q.v.). In Islamic lore, the 5th Heaven is the "seat of Aaron and the Avenging Angel."

Fire-Speaking Angel—Hashmal.

First Heaven, The—in Islamic lore, the abode of the stars, "each with its angel warder." It is also the abode of Adam and Eve.

Five Angels Who Lead the Souls of Men to Judgment—Arakiel, Remiel, Uriel, Samiel, Azriel [Rf. *Sibylline Oracles* II; see Angels at the End of the World.]

Flaef—in the cabala, an angelic luminary concerned with human sexuality. [Rf. Masters, *Eros and Evil*.]

Flame of the Whirling Swords—a term applied to the cherubim who guarded Eden.

Flames—an order of angels, "one of the classes in Talmud and Targum," says Voltaire in his "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils." Chief of the order is Melha who, in Buddhist theology, is identified with the Judaeo-Christian angel Michael. [Cf. chashmallim, the "scintillating flames" in Ezekiel 4.]

Flaming Angel, The [Angel of Fire]

Flauros [Hauras]

Focalor (Forcalor, Furcalor)—before he fell, Focalor was an angel of the order of thrones. This "fact" was "proved after infinite research," reports Spence in *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 119. Focalor is a mighty duke in the infernal regions and commands 30 legions of demonic spirits. His special office or mission is to sink ships of war and slay men. After 1,000 years (or 1,500 years) he "hopes to return to the 7th Heaven," as he confided to Solomon. When invoked, Focalor manifests as a man with the wings of a griffin. Focalor is an anagram for Rofocale (q.v.). For Focalor's sigil, see Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 178.

Forcalor [Focalor]

Forcas (Foras, Forras, Furcas, Fourcas)—in occult lore it is not indicated what rank Forcas once held in the angelic hierarchy, or to what order he belonged; but he is a fallen angel; in Hell he is a renowned president or duke; and here he devotes his time to teaching rhetoric, logic, and mathematics. He can render people invisible; he knows also how to restore lost property. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, calls Forcas a chevalier of the infernal kingdom, with 29 legions of demons to do his bidding. His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 175. [Rf. Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*; Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*.] A Louis Breton engraving of Forcas is reproduced in Seligmann, *The History of Magic*, p. 230.

Forces—in the view of John of Damascus, forces constitute an angelic order sometimes identified as powers, sometimes as virtues or authorities. John of Damascus places forces 3rd in the 2nd triad of the 9 choirs. Their special duty is or was to govern earthly affairs.

Forerunner Angel, The [John the Baptist; Metatron; Shekinah]

Forfax (Morax, Marax)—in Scot's *Discoverie of Witchcraft*, a great earl and president of the underworld in command of 36 legions of spirits; he

gives skill in astronomy and liberal arts. He is also called Foraii (by Weirus). Manifests in the form of a heifer. His sign is reproduced in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.

Forneus—before he fell, Forneus was of the order of thrones and partly also of the order of angels. In the underworld he is a great marquis, with 29 legions of infernal spirits ready to carry out his commands. In addition to teaching art, rhetoric, and all languages, he causes men to be loved by their enemies. The sigil of Forneus is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 174. It is said that, when he is invoked, Forneus manifests in the form of a sea monster.

Fortitude—one of the cardinal virtues, depicted by the 15th-century Florentine masters as an angel.

Four Angels—Revelation 7 speaks of the 4 angels “standing on the 4 corners of the earth,

The Angel Fortitude. Enamelled terracotta roundel by Luca della Robbia in the Church of San Miniato al Monte, Florence, 1461–1466. From *The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin*, December 1961.



holding the 4 winds of the earth.” The angels are not named. [See Angels of the Four Winds.]

Four Angels of the East—in the *Clavicula Salomonis*, the 4 angels of the east are Urzla, Zlar, Larzod, and Arzal. They are “benevolent and glorious angels” and are invoked “so that the invocant may partake of some of the secret wisdom of the Creator.”

Four Archangels—as listed in *Enoch I*, the 4 archangels are Michael, Raphael, Gabriel, Phanuel. In the *Universal Standard Encyclopaedia* the 4 are given as Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, and Suriel (the last name being equated with Raphael). According to Arabic traditional lore, the 4 are: Gabriel, angel of revelation; Michael, who fights the battle of faith; Azrael, angel of death; and Israfil, who will sound the trumpet at the Resurrection.

Fourcas [Forcas]

Four Spirits of the Heaven—angels in the guise of black, white, grizzled, and bay horses “which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth” (Zechariah 6). The horses, harnessed to chariots, were shown to the Old Testament prophet by an angel (unnamed). In rabbinic lore, Zechariah, 300 years before Daniel, had already graded angels according to rank, but did not name them. It is said, further, that Zechariah drew his inspiration for the “seven eyes of the Lord” (Zechariah 4) from the Parsee archangels, the amesha spentas.

Fourth Angel, The—John, in Revelation 8, speaks of the 4th angel as one of the 7 angels of wrath who sound trumpets. When the trumpet of the 4th angel is sounded, a 3rd part of the sun is smitten, and a 3rd part of the moon, and a 3rd part of the stars.

Fourth Heaven—the abode of Shamshiel, Sapiel, Zagzagel, and Michael. According to Talmud *Hagiga* 12, it contained the heavenly Jerusalem, the temple, and the altar. Here, too, dwelt Sandalphon, angel of tears. [Rf. Brewer, *Dictionary of Phrase and Fable*, p. 537.] It was in the 4th Heaven that Mohammed encountered Enoch. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, “Angels.”]

Fowl of Heaven [Angels of Service]

Franiel—a Tuesday angel of the 5th Heaven, invoked from the north. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Framoch—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 7th hour of the night, under Mandrion.

Francis, St. [Rhamiel; see also St. Francis]

Fravardin [Favashi]

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Fremiel—in de Abano, *The Heptameron* and Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa.

Friagne—in occult texts generally, a Tuesday angel serving in the 5th Heaven and invoked from the east.

Fromezin—an angel of the 2nd hour of the night under the command of Farris. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Fromzon—an angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving under Sarquamich.

Fuleriel—angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash.

Furiel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguanial.

Furlac (Phorlakh)—in occult science, an angel of the earth. [Rf. Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*.]

Furniel—an angel of the 11th hour of the day, serving under Bariel.

Fustiel—an angel of the 5th hour of the day, serving under Sazquiel.

Futiniel—an angel of the 5th hour of the day, serving under Sazquiel.



Gabriel pictured in the "Annunciation" by Melozzo Da Forli (1438-1494). Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

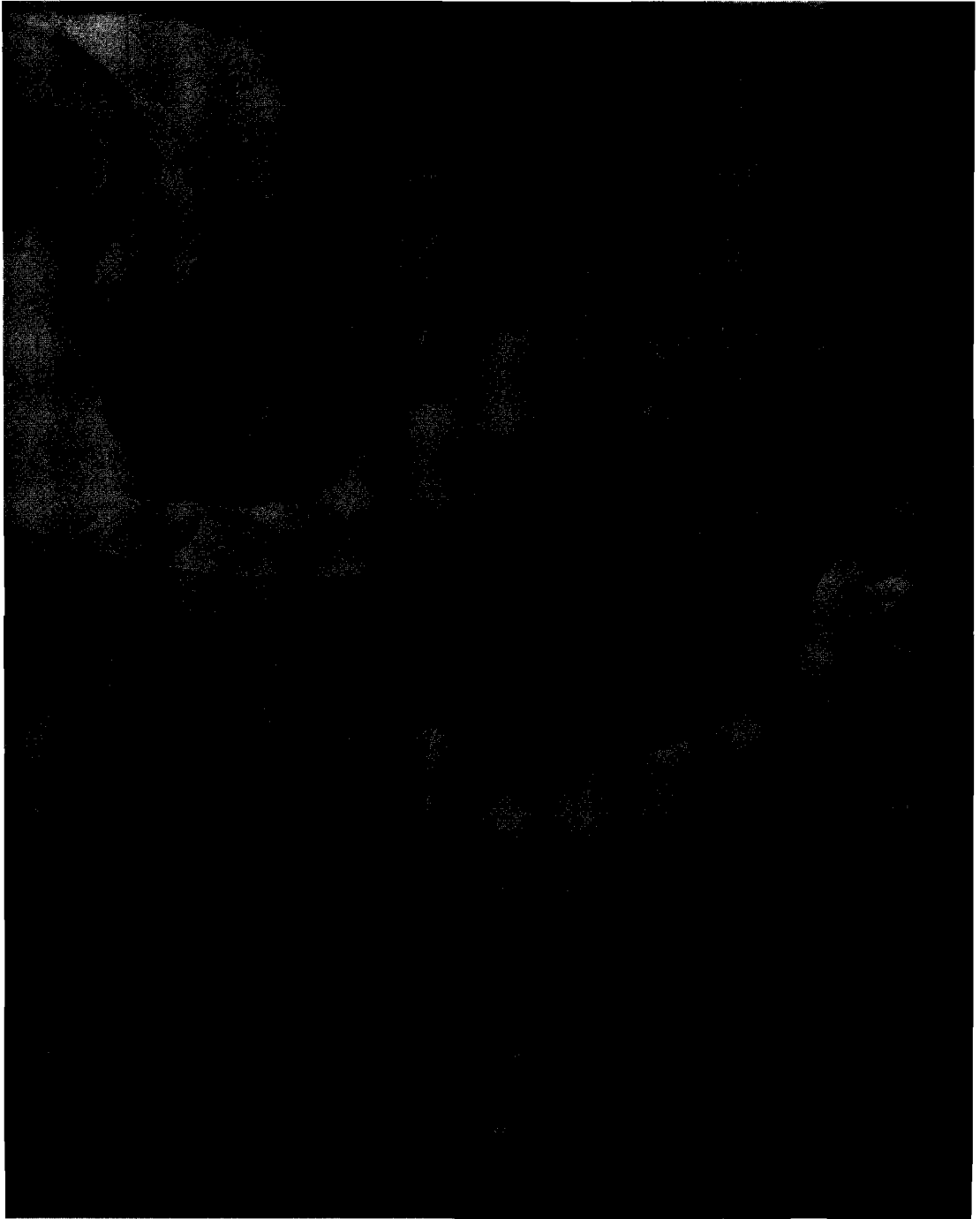


Gaap (Tap)—once of the order of potentates (powers), now a fallen angel, Gaap serves, in Hell, as a "great president and a mighty prince." As king of the south, he rules 66 legions of infernal spirits. His sigil is reproduced in *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 176. [See also *The Book of Ceremonial Magic* and the *Lesser Key of Solomon* (the latter known also as *The Lemegeton*).] Gaap is pictured in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, 1863 ed., in the form of a human being with huge bat's wings.

Gabamiah—in Solomonic goetic rites, a great angel invoked by the use of the incantatory power of the name of the angel Uriel. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Gabriel ("God is my strength")—one of the 2 highest-ranking angels in Judaeo-Christian and Mohammedan religious lore. He is the angel of annunciation, resurrection, mercy, vengeance, death, revelation. Apart from Michael, he is the only angel mentioned by name in the Old Testament—unless we include among the Old Testament books the *Book of Tobit*, usually considered

apocryphal, in which case Raphael, who appears there, becomes the 3rd-named angel in Scripture (but see Gustav Davidson's article "The Named Angels in Scripture," wherein no less than 7 angels are named). Gabriel presides over Paradise, and although he is the ruling prince of the 1st Heaven, he is said to sit on the left-hand side of God (whose dwelling is popularly believed to be the 7th Heaven, or the 10th Heaven). Mohammed claimed it was Gabriel (Jibril in Islamic) of the "140 pairs of wings" who dictated to him the Koran, *sura* by *sura*. To the Mohammedans, Gabriel is the spirit of truth. In Jewish legend it was Gabriel who dealt death and destruction to the sinful cities of the plain (Sodom and Gommorah among them). And it was Gabriel who, according to Talmud *Sanhedrin* 95b, smote Sennacherib's hosts "with a sharpened scythe which had been ready since Creation." Elsewhere in Talmud it is Gabriel who, it is said, prevented Queen Vashti from appearing naked before King Ahasuerus and his guests in order to bring about the election of Esther in her place. In Daniel 8, Daniel falls on his face before Gabriel to learn the meaning of the encounter



Leonardo da Vinci's conception of Gabriel, a detail from the *Annunciation*, in the Uffizi Gallery, Florence. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

between the ram and the he-goat. The incident is pictured in a woodcut in the famous Cologne Bible. Cabalists identify Gabriel as "the man clothed in linen" (Exekiel 9, 10 ff.). In Daniel 10-11 this man clothed in linen is helped by Michael. In rabbinic literature, Gabriel is the prince of justice [Rf. Cordovero, *Palm Tree of Deborah*, p. 56.] Origen in *De Principiis* I, 81, calls Gabriel the angel of war. Jerome equates Gabriel with Hamon (q.v.). According to Milton (*Paradise Lost* IV, 549) Gabriel is chief of the angelic guards placed over Paradise. As for the incident of the 3 holy men (Hananiah, Mishael, Azariah) who were rescued from the furnace, it was Gabriel, according to Jewish legend, who performed this miracle. Other sources credit Michael. Gabriel is likewise identified as the man-God-angel who wrestled with Jacob at Peniel, although Michael, Uriel, Metatron, Samael, and Chamuel have also been put forward as "the dark antagonist." Rembrandt did a canvas of the celebrated encounter. A Mohammedan legend, growing out of the Koran, *sura* 20, 88, relates that when the dust from the hoofprints of Gabriel's horse was thrown into the mouth of the Golden Calf, the Calf at once became animated. According to the *Encyclopaedia of Islam* I, 502, Mohammed confused Gabriel with the Holy Ghost—a confusion understandable or explainable by virtue of the conflicting accounts in Matthew 1:20 and Luke 1:26 where, in the 1st instance, it is the Holy Ghost that begets Mary with Child and, in the 2nd instance, it is Gabriel who "came in unto her," and also then informs her that she "had found favor with the Lord" and "would conceive in her womb." In Bamberger's *Fallen Angels*, p. 109, quoting a Babylonian legend, Gabriel once fell into disgrace "for not obeying a command exactly as given, and remained for a while outside the heavenly Curtain." During this period the guardian angel of Persia, Dobi-el, acted as Gabriel's proxy. The name Gabriel is of Chaldean origin and was unknown to the Jews prior to the Captivity. In the original listing of 119 angels of the Parsees, Gabriel's name is missing. Gabriel is the preceptor angel of Joseph. In Midrash *Eleh Ezkerah*, Gabriel figures in the tale of the legendary 10 Martyrs

(Jewish sages). One of these 10, Rabbi Ishmael ascends to Heaven and asks Gabriel why they merit death. Gabriel replies that they are atoning for the sin of the 10 sons of Jacob who sold Joseph into slavery. According to the court testimony of Joan of Arc, it was Gabriel who inspired her to go to the succor of the King of France. In more recent times, Gabriel figures as the angel who visited Father George Rapp, leader of the 2nd Advent community in New Harmony, Indiana, and left his footprint on a limestone slab preserved in the yard of the Maclure-Owen residence in that city. Longfellow's *The Golden Legend* makes Gabriel the angel of the moon who brings man the gift of hope. There are innumerable paintings by the masters of the Annunciation with Gabriel pictured as the angel who brings the glad tidings to Mary. Word-pictures of the event, in rhyme, are rare. One of these is by the 17th-century English poet, Richard Crashaw. The quatrain is from *Steps to the Temple*: "Heavens Golden-winged Herald, late hee saw/To a poor Galilean virgin sent./How low the Bright Youth bow'd, and with what awe/Immortall flowers to her faire hand present."

Gabuthelon—an angel whose name was revealed to Esdras as among the 9 who will govern "at the end of the world." Apart from Gabuthelon, the others are: Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael, and Aker, Arphugitonos, Bebueros, Zebuleon. [See *Revelation of Esdras* in the *Ante-Nicene Fathers Library* VIII, 573.]

Gadal—an angel invoked in magic rites, according to Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 155.

Gadamel [Hagiel]

Gader—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Gadiel—a "most holy angel" invoked in goetic operations, as directed in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*. Gadiel is a resident of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.] In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Gadiel is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the

South Wind. The fact that Gadiel's name is found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) suggests that he must have been regarded as a power to protect the wearer against evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Gadreel (Gadriel—Aramaic, “God is my helper”)—one of the fallen angels in Enoch lore. It was Gadreel who, reputedly, led Eve astray—which, if true, would make Gadreel rather than Satan the talking serpent and seducer in the Garden of Eden. Like Azazel, Gadreel made man familiar with the weapons of war (*Enoch I*, 69, 6). The *IV Book of Maccabees* refers to the seduction of Eve, but speaks of her as protesting that “no false beguiling serpent” sullied “the purity of my maidenhood.” Gadreel is not mentioned by name in this source.

Gadriel—chief ruling angel of the 5th Heaven in charge of wars among nations. [See Gadreel.] When a prayer ascends to Heaven, Gadriel crowns it, then accompanies it to the 6th Heaven. [Rf. *The Zohar* (Exodus 202a).] Sandalphon, another great angel, is also said to crown prayers for transmission—not, however, from heaven to heaven, but direct from man to God.

Ga’ga—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Gaghriel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim I*, 116.]

Galdel—a Tuesday angel resident of the 5th Heaven; he is to be invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Galearii (“army servants”)—according to the *Jewish Encyclopedia*, “Angelology,” the galearii are angels of the lowest rank. [Rf. Friedmann, *Pesikta Rabbati V*, 45b and XV, 69a.]

Gale Raziya—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Galgaliel (Galgliel)—with Raphael, Galgaliel serves as a chief angel of the sun. He is also credited with being the angel governing the wheel

of the sun, and as the eponymous head of the order of galgallim.

Galgaliel (“spheres”)—a superior order of angels of a rank equal to the seraphim. The galgallim are called “the wheels of the Merkabah” (i.e., chariots of God) and are equated with the ophanim (*q.v.*). There are 8 ruling angels in the order, with Galgaliel or Rikbiel generally designated as chief. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*; Odeberg, *3 Enoch*.] The galgallim share with the other Merkabah angels in the performance of the Celestial Song.

Galgliel [Galgaliel]

Galiel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Galizur (Hebrew, “revealer of the rock”—Gallitzur, Gallizur, Raziel, Raguil, Akraziel)—one of the great angels in Talmudic lore whom Moses encountered in Heaven, as related by Simon ben Lakish. It was Galizur, “surnamed Raziel,” who is reputed to have given Adam *The Book of the Angel Raziel* (but see Rahab). He is a ruling prince of the 2nd Heaven and an expounder of the Torah’s divine wisdom. “He spreads his wings over the hayyoth lest their fiery breath consume the ministering angels.” (The hayyoth are the holy beasts who “uphold the universe.”) [Rf. *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer*; *Pesikta Rabbati*.]

Gallizur [Galizur]

Galmon—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Gamaliel (Hebrew, “recompense of God”)—in the cabala and gnostic writings, one of the great aeons or luminaries, a beneficent spirit associated with Gabriel, Abraxas, Mikhar, and Samlo. However, Levi in his *Philosophie Occulte* rates Gamaliel as evil, “an adversary of the cherubim” serving under Lilith (who is the demon of debauchery). In the *Revelation of Adam to His Son Seth* (a Coptic apocalypse), Gamaliel is one of the high, holy, celestial powers whose mission is “to draw the elect up to Heaven.”

Gambiel—ruler of the zodiacal sign of Aquarius, as cited in Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*. He is mentioned also in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* as a zodiacal angel.

Gambriel—one of the guardian angels of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Gamerin—in ceremonial magical rites, an angel called in for special service, according to Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 160, quoting from the *Grimorium Verum*. The name Gamerin should be engraved on the Sword of the Art, before the start of the conjuring rite.

Gamidoi—a “most holy angel” invoked in magical operations, as directed in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Gamiel—supreme ruling angel of the 1st hour of the night, according to Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Gamorin Debabim (Gamerin)—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Gamrial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Gamsiel—angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel.

Ganael—one of the 7 planetary rulers (Electors) serving under the joint rule of the angels Apudiel and Camael. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Gardon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt, according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Garfial (Garfiel)—one of the guardians of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Gargatel—one of the 3 angels of the summer; he acts in association with Tariel and Gaviel. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Gariel—an angel of the order of shinanim, according to Hayim Haziz, “The Seraph,” *The Literary Review*, Spring 1958. In *Hechaloth Rabbati*, Gariel is an angelic guard of the 5th Heaven.

Garshanel—an angelic name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Garthiel—chief officer angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Garzanal—an angel’s name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Gaspard—a spirit invoked in Solomonic magical rites to procure to the invocant a lady’s garter. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Gastrion—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel.

Gat(h)iel—one of the angelic guards of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim I*, 116.]

Gauriil Ishliha—a Talmudic angel who presides over the east. [Cf. Gazardiel.] His duty is to see to it that the sun rises every morning at the right

A Syriac amulet. Gabriel on a white horse spearing the body of the devil-woman (evil eye). British Museum Ms. Orient, No. 6673. Reproduced from Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.



time. Gauriil also appears in Mandaeen lore and corresponds to the Zoroastrian Sraosha or to the Hebrew Gabriel.

Gaviel—with Gargatel and Tariel, Gaviel serves as one of the 3 angels of the summer. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Gavreel (Gavriel)—a variant for Gabriel used by the Ethiopian Hebrew Rabbinical College of the Black Jews of Harlem (New York). To this sect there are 4 cardinal angels (of whom Gavreel is one) and they are to be invoked for the curing of disease, the restoring of sight, turning enemies into friends, and “keeping the invocant from going crazy in the night.” The other 3 cardinal angels are Micharel (for Michael), Owreel (for Uriel), and Rafarel (for Raphael). [Rf. Brotz, *The Black Jews of Harlem*, pp. 32–33.] In *Ozar Midrashim* Gavreel is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. In hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), he is an angelic guard stationed either at the 2nd or 4th heavenly hall.

Gazardiel (Casardia, Gazardiya)—chief angelic supervisor of the east. Gazardiel “kisses the prayers of the faithful and conveys them to the supernal firmament,” as related in *The Zohar*. Hyde mentions Gazardiel in *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*. In De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, Gazardiel is a Talmudic angel charged with the rising and setting of the sun. Régamey in *What Is An Angel?*, speaking of “later Judaism teaching the names of the angels of the elements,” refers to Casardia (i.e., Gazardiel) as having to “see to it that the sun rose every day at the right time and set at the right time.”

Gazarniel—an angel of “flame of fire” who sought to oppose and wound Moses at the time that the Lawgiver visited Heaven. Moses routed Gazarniel, we are told, “by pronouncing the Holy Name consisting of 12 letters.” (Note: the only reference so far come upon to Gazarniel is in Raskin, *Kabbalah, Book of Creation, Zohar*. Mr. Raskin may have intended Hadraniel, and 72 letters rather than 12.)

Gazriel—one of 70 childbed amulet angels. [See Appendix.]

Gdiel [Gediel]

Geal—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Gebiel—an angel of the 4th altitude. [Rf. Waite, *The Almadel of Solomon*.]

Gebiril—an angel invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Geburael (Geburah)—a sefira of the Briatic world who figures frequently in cabalistic conjuring operations. In *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*, Geburah or Geburael (meaning strength) is equated with Gamaliel and it is said that the influence of Elohi (God) “penetrates the angel Geburah (or Gamaliel) and descends through the sphere of [the planet] Mars.” For additional facts about this angel, see Geburah.

Geburah or **Geburael** (“divine power or strength”)—an angel who is the upholder of the left hand of God. In occult works, Geburah is usually listed as 5th of the 10 holy sefiroth (divine emanations). He is also of the order of seraphim. Identified variously as Gemaliel, Khamael (Camael) and, in Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria’s text, as Gevirion.

Geburathiel—the angel of geburah. In 3 *Enoch* (the Hebrew Enoch), Geburat(h)iel is one of the great angel princes representing “the divine strength, might, and power.” He is the chief steward of the 4th hall in the 7th Heaven.

Gedael (Giadaiyal, “fortune of God”)—in *Enoch I* Gedael is an angel of one of the seasons. Cornelius Agrippa cites Gedael (Gediel) as a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy III*.]

Gedariah—a supervising chief *sar* (angel) of the 3rd Heaven, as noted in *The Zohar*. Gedariah ministers 3 times a day; he bows to prayers ascending from the 2nd Heaven, crowns such prayers, then transmits them for further ascent.

Gedemel—a spirit of Venus, of which planet the angel Hagiel is the presiding intelligence, according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talis-



Musical angels by Hans Memling (c. 1490).
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mans. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 315.]

Gediel (Gdiel)—in *The Almadel of Solomon*, Gediel is one of the chief princes in the 4th chora or altitude. In *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, Gediel figures as one of the 70 childbed amulet angels; he is also, in occult lore, an angel of the zodiac.

Gedobonai—an angel of the 3rd chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*.

Gedudiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Gedudim—a class of angels of the Song-Uttering Choirs under the leadership of Tagas. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Gedulael—one of the sefiroth (divine emanations) invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Gehatsitsa—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Gehegiel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Gehirael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Gehorey—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Gehoriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 1st heavenly hall.

Gehuel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Geliel—one of the 28 angels who govern the 28 mansions of the moon.

Gelomiros—an angel of the 3rd chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer, as set forth in *The Almadel of Solomon*.

Geminiel—one of the governing angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, III.]

Gemmut—in *Pistis Sophia*, a Coptic work, Gemmut is an archon who serves under the rulership of Kalapatauroth (who causes all aeons and all destinies to revolve).

Genaritzod—a chief officer-angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, 69.]

Genii of Fire—in occultism, there are 3 genii of fire: Anael, king of astral light; Michael, king of the sun; and Sammael, king of volcanoes. [Rf. Jobs, *Dictionary of Mythology, Folklore and Symbols*.]

Genius (pl. genii)—another name for angel or spirit or intelligence. [Cf. Blake: "the forms of all things are derived from their Genius, which by the Ancients was call'd an Angel & Spirit &

Demon"; *Rf. Blake, All Religions Are One, First Principle.*] Paul Christian in *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 303, says: "the genii of the orient [were] the originals of the Christian angels." Athanasius Kircher, 17th-century Jesuit, in his voyage to the planets, accompanied by the genius Cosmiel, finds the genii (whom he dubs "sinister") inhabiting the planet Saturn. According to Kircher, the genii "administer divine justice to the wicked, and suffering to the righteous."

Genius of Bestial Love [Schiekron]

Genius of the Contretemps [Angel of the Odd]

Geno—an angel of the order of powers. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Genon—an angel of the 2nd chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer. [*Rf. The Almadel of Solomon.*]

Gereimon—like Genon, an angel of the 2nd chora.

Gergot—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Germael ("majesty of God")—an angel sent by God to create Adam from the dust—a mission also ascribed to Gabriel. [*Rf. Falasha Anthology.*]

Geron—like Genon and Gereimon (*q.v.*), one of the angels of the 2nd chora or altitude invoked in magical prayer.

Geroskesufael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Gerviel (Cerviel)—in Jewish cabala, the preceptor angel of King David. [*Rf. Clayton, Angelology.*] As Cerviel, this angel is chief of the order of principalities (elohim), sharing the post with Haniel, Nisroc, and others.

Gethel (Ingethel)—an angel set over hidden things. According to *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*, Gethel was the angel who smote the Amorites with blindness in their battle with Cenez.

Gethel was assisted by Zeruel, another angel sent by God against the Amorites.

Gevirion—an angel symbolizing or personifying geburah (fear or strength). Gevirion ranks 5th of the 10 holy sefiroth.

Geviriyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Gezardiya [Gazardiel]

Gezuriya—in *Malache Elyon*, an angel of the order of powers; he is a guard of one of the celestial halls (hechaloth) and ruler over 6 other angels, among them the angel of the sun, Gazardiya.

Gheorihah—an angel's name inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Mercury. [*Rf. Mathers, The Greater Key of Solomon.*]

Giant Angels—the great demons are so called by Milton in *Paradise Lost* VII, 605.

Giatiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Gibborim ("mighty ones")—an order of angels of the Song-Uttering Choirs under the leadership of Tagas. "They are the mighty ones . . . men of name" (Genesis 6). According to *The Zohar* I, 25a-b, the gibborim "erect synagogues and colleges, and place in them scrolls of the law with rich ornaments, but only to make themselves a name." If that is so, then the gibborim must be regarded as evil, and they usually are so regarded.

Gidaijal (Gedael—"fortune of God")—a luminary of the seasons, as listed in *Enoch I*. He is among the leaders of "heads of thousands."

Giel—in ceremonial magic, the angel with dominion over the zodiacal sign of Gemini (the Twins).

Gippuyel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron. [*Rf. 3 Enoch*, chap. 48.]

Glaras—an angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel.

Glauron or **Glaura**—a beneficent spirit of the air, invoked from the north. He is mentioned in Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*.

Glmarij—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguaniel.

Glorious Ones—a term for the highest order of archangels. [Rf. *Enoch II*; *Slavonic Encyclopedia*.]

Glory of God—according to the 11th-12th century Jewish poet and sage Judah ha-Levi, "glory of God" is a term which "denotes the whole class of angels, together with their spiritual instruments—the thrones, chariots, firmament, ophanim, and the spheres (galgalim)." [Rf. Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*, p. 64.]

Gmial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Goap—formerly an angel of the order of powers; now fallen and in Hell. Goap is one of the infernal regions' 11 presidents. He is also known as Gaap and Tap. [Rf. Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*.] That Goap was once of the order of powers "was proved after infinite research," reports Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*. According to demonologists, Goap was "prince of the west."

God of this Age (or God of This World)—see II Corinthians 4, "in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not," etc. Here Paul has in mind Satan, chief of the fallen angels.

Gog and Magog—in the grimoires of Honorius III, ineffable names of God used to command spirits. "The unexpected appearance of Gog and Magog amongst the other holy names of God must be put down," says Butler, *Ritual Magic*, "to the ignorance of Honorius." The Koran (*sura* 18, 95) mentions Gog and Magog as "spoiling the land."

Golab ("incendiaries")—one of the adversaries of the seraphim, one of the 10 unholy sefiroth "whose cortex is Usiel." Golab has also been denoted a spirit of wrath and sedition, operating under his chief, "Sammael the Black." [Rf. Levi, *Philosophie Occulte*; Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 237.]

Golandes—an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax, according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Gonael—one of numerous guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Gonfalons—an order of angels in the celestial hierarchy, according to Milton, *Paradise Lost* V, 590-591. In the latter book, the angel Raphael speaks of "Standards and Gonfalons" who "for the distinction serve/Of hierarchies, of Orders, and Degrees."

Good Daimon—the "aeon of the aeons," a term applied to Thoth in Hermetic theology. [Rf. *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* I, 280.]

Gorfiniel—an angelic guard of the 7th Heaven, as listed in *Ozar Midrashim* I, 119.

Gorson or Gorsou [Gurson]

Governments—in the *Apocalypse of the Holy Mother of God*, governments is an order of angels mentioned along with thrones, lordships, authorities, archangels, etc.

Gradhiel [Gradiel]

Gradiel (Gradhiel, Graphiel—"might of God")—the intelligence (angel) of the planet Mars when this luminary enters the signs of the Ram and Scorpio. Gradiel's corresponding angel (for Mars) is Bartyabel (*q.v.*).

Graeliel—an angel of the 2nd hour, serving under Anael.

Granozin—an angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under Farris.

Graphathas—"one of the 9 angels that run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places," as certified in the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 177, where the names of the 9 angels are revealed by Beliar to Bartholomew.

Graphiel (Gradiel)—a spirit in cabalistic enumerations answering to Gabriel, according to Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.

Grasgarben—with Hadakiel, Grasgarben governs the sign of Libra. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Great and Wonderful—when Michael came



“Guardian Angels” by Georges Rouault. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

to announce to Mary her impending death, the Virgin is said to have asked the archangel who he was, and that he answered, “My name is Great and Wonderful.” The legend is retold in Clement, *Angels in Art*, where there is a reproduction of Fra Filippo Lippi’s painting, depicting the scene.

Grial (Griel)—a guardian angel of the 5th

Heaven; also one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Griel [see Grial]

Grigori (egoroi, egregori, “watchers”)—in Jewish legendary lore, the grigori are a superior order of angels in both the 2nd and 5th Heavens (depending on whether they are the holy or

unholy ones). They resemble men in appearance, but are taller than giants, and are eternally silent. Ruling prince of the order is Salamiel "who rejected the Lord" (*Enoch II*). [Rf. *Testament of Levi* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*); Talmud *Hagiga*.]

Guabarel—angel of autumn. In addition to Guabarel, another angel cited in occult lore as governing autumn is Tarquam (*q.v.*).

Grael (Guel)—an angel of the 5th Heaven ruling on Tuesday. Grael is invoked from the east.

Guardian Angels of Adam and Eve—our 1st parents had 2 guardian angels, according to *The Book of Adam and Eve*, and these were of the order of virtues, says Ginzberg. [Rf. Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*, p. 142.]

Guardian Angel of Barcelona—an unnamed angel who visited St. Vincent Ferrer. The angel never actually protected the city since it was

frequently captured. There is a statue of this guardian angel in Barcelona. [Rf. Brewer, *A Dictionary of Miracles*, p. 504.]

Guardian Angel of the Earth—originally Satan, according to Irenaeus, Athenagoras, Methodius of Philippi, and other early Church Fathers.

Guardian Angel of France [Hakamiah]

Guardian Angel of Heaven and Earth—in the Islamic scheme of 7 Heavens, the Guardian Angel of Heaven and Earth dwells in the 6th Heaven. He has not been identified by name but is described as being composed of snow and fire.

Guardian Angels—of a class with national (tutelary) or ministering angels. In the cabala, there are 4 ruling princes of the order: Uriel, Raphael, Gabriel, Michael. There are also 70 guardian angels of nations, one in charge of each state. [Rf. *Ecclesiasticus*.] This was the doctrine of St. Basil of Caesarea and other doctors of the Church. According to Buber, in the glossary to his *Tales of the Hasidim Early Masters*, these 70 tutelary princes

"The Angel Gabriel Appearing to Mohammed." From the Ms. of Jami'al-Tawarikh, at the University of Edinburgh.



of nations "are either angels or demons." It would be more conformable to rabbinic tradition to say that the 70 started out as angels, but became corrupted through national bias and are now demons—with the sole exception of Michael, *sar* of Israel, whose bias was excusable or even justified, since he espoused the cause of the "chosen people." It is said that every human being is assigned at birth to one or more guardian angels. Talmud indeed speaks of every Jew being attended throughout his life by 11,000 guardian angels; also that "every blade of grass has over it an angel saying 'grow.'" That every child has its protecting spirit is adduced from Matthew 18:10 where Jesus bids his disciples not to despise the little ones and speaks of their "angels in heaven." According to Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*, the earliest reference to a belief in guardian angels, in noncanonical lore, is to be found in *The Book of Jubilees*, 35:17. Another early source might be cited: *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*, the writing of which is said to date back to the 1st century C.E. In Athanasius Kircher's account of his voyage to the planets, "the guardian angels of all the virtues" are found inhabiting "the Elysian shores of the planet Jupiter." [Rf. Kircher, *Oedipus Aegyptiacus*.] The liturgical feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, in Catholic observances, occurs on October 2. [Note: Of the 70 tutelary angels, only those of 4 nations are named in rabbinic writings: Dobiël for Persia; Samael for Rome (Edom); Rahab, Uzza, Duma, and/or Semyaza for Egypt; and Michael for Israel.]

Guards—an order of the celestial hierarchy mentioned in *Paradise Lost* IV, 550; XII, 590, where the guards, earlier referred to as powers and equated likewise with the cherubim, are under the command of Michael. Alfred de Vigny mentions the order of guards in his poem "Eloa." [Rf. West, *Milton and the Angels*.]

Guel (Guael)—an angel of the 5th Heaven ruling on Tuesday and invoked from the east.

No doubt the same as Guael. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 119.]

Gulacoc—an angel of the Seal, used for conjuring. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Gulhab—5th of the 10 unholy sefiroth, as noted in Moses de Burgos' text. For a list of the sefiroth, see Appendix.

Gurid—a summer equinox angel, effective when invoked as an amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Guriel ("whelp of God")—one of the angels ruling the zodiacal sign of Leo. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Gurson (Gorson or Gorsou)—one of the routed forces under Lucifer, now serving in the nether regions as king of the south. [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 119.]

Guth—one of the angelic rulers of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, p. 215.]

Gutrix—in occultism, a Thursday angel of the air, ministering to Suth, chief of these angels, all of whom are subject in turn to the South Wind. Acting with Gutrix is Maguth, who likewise ministers to Suth. [Rf. *The Ancient's Book of Magic*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II, 122; Shah, *Occultism*, 52.]

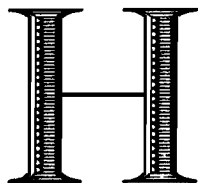
Guziel—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, an evil angel summoned in incantation rites against an enemy.

Gvurtial—an angelic guard of one of the great halls (or palaces) of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. Pirke *Hechaloth*.]

Gzrel—in Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, an angel invoked to countermand evil decrees. The word Gzrel is part of a 42-letter name for God.



Hand of an angel by Botticelli. Detail from the *Magnificat*, in the Uffizi Gallery, Florence. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Hael—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac.

Haaiah—an angel of the order of dominations. Haaiah rules over diplomacy and ambassadors, and is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. Haaiah's sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 273.

Haamiah—an angel of the order of powers. Haamiah dominates religious cults and “protects all those who seek the truth.” His corresponding angel (in the cabala) is Serucuth. For Haamiah's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 281.

Haarez—an angel of the Seal, as noted in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Haatan—a genius who conceals treasures, according to Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Habbiel (Habiël)—a Monday angel of the 1st Heaven, invoked in love charms. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Haborym [Raum]

Habriel—an angel of the order of powers,

summoned in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Habudiel—in occultism, an angel of the Lord's Day, resident of the 4th Heaven. He is invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Habu(h)iah—an angel who exercises dominion over agriculture and fecundity. Habuhiah is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Hachashel—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, p. 87.]

Hadakiel (Chadakiel)—with Grasgarben, another genius, Hadakiel governs the sign of Libra (the Balance) in the zodiac. [Rf. *Prince of Darkness* (A Witchcraft Anthology), pp. 177–178.]

Hadar—“the superior Benignity” conceived of by cabalists as a sefira. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Hadariel [Hadraniel]

Hadariron—an archon named in lesser hechaloth lore and in the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*. [Rf.

Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, p. 63.]

Hadarmiel—a holy angel named in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Hadarniel [Hadraniel]

Hadasdagedoy—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 6th heavenly hall.

Hadirion—"the beloved angel of God," who may be invoked in ritual magic rites. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Hadraniel (Hadarniel, Hadariel, Hadriel—"majesty of God")—a porter angel stationed at the 2nd gate in Heaven (according to one view). He is taller than Kemuel (*q.v.*) "by 60 myriads of parasangs" but shorter than Sandalphon "by a 500 years' journey." On seeing Hadraniel in Heaven, Moses was "struck dumb with awe"; but when Moses uttered the Supreme Name, Hadraniel in turn trembled. Legend speaks of Adam visiting Heaven some 2,000 years before Moses did. On that occasion, Hadraniel spoke to Adam about the latter's possession of *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, a holy tome reputed to have contained secrets and knowledge unknown even to the angels [Rf. *The Zohar* I, 55b]. The precious book came finally into the possession of Solomon, via Noah and Abraham. According to a Zoharic legend (*The Zohar* III), "when Hadraniel proclaims the will of the Lord, his voice penetrates through 200,000 firmaments," and "with every word from his mouth go forth 12,000 flashes of lightning" (the latter, according to the *Revelation of Moses*). In gnosticism Hadraniel, great as he is, is "only one of 7 subordinates to Jehuel, prince of fire." [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15.] As Hadriel, he serves among the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. In *Sefer ha-Heshek*, Hadraniel is one of the more than 72 names (actually more than 100) of Metatron. In 3 *Enoch*, Odeberg holds that it is possible for Hadraniel to be identified with Metatron and that he has indeed been so identified in apocalyptic literature.

Hadriel (Hadraniel)—equated with Pusiell in the *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua Ben Levi*.

Hadrion—a variant form of Hadarion (*q.v.*).

Haduriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Hafaza—in Muslim lore, a term denoting angels. The hafaza constitute a special class, are 4 in number, and "protect man from jinn, men, and Satans." On these 4 angels devolves the duty of writing down the actions of mortals. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 617.]

Hafkiel—in Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*, an angel invoked in the exorcism of demons.

Hagai—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Hagedola—an angel of the Seal, invoked in ceremonial rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Haggai—a minor Hebrew prophet called "God's messenger or angel." See book of Haggai in the Old Testament.

Haggo—an angel of the Seal who could be summoned in conjuring rites, like Hagedola (*q.v.*). [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Hagiel—the intelligence of Venus when that planet enters the signs of Taurus and Libra. Hagiel's cabalistic number is 49. His corresponding angel, the spirit ruler of Venus, is Gadamel (*q.v.*). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Hagios—the name of a great angel, or one of the secret names of God, used in invocation rites. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Hagith—ruler of the planet Venus and one of the 7 Olympian spirits. Hagith is governor of 21 or 35 of the 196 Olympian provinces. His day is Friday. According to Cornelius Agrippa, Hagith commands 4,000 legions of spirits; he has the power of

transmuting metals. For a reproduction of Hagith's sigil, see Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 389. In white magic, Hagith is one of the 7 stewards of Heaven.

Haglon—angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving under Sarquamich. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Hahael (Hahahel)—an angel of the order of virtues. Hahael protects Christian missionaries and all disciples of Christ; he is also one of the 72 angels that bear the name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel (in occult lore) is Chan-taré. The sigil of Hahael is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 281.

Hahahel [Hahael]

Hahaiah—an angel of the order of cherubim. He influences thoughts and reveals hidden mysteries to mortals. His corresponding angel is Atarph. The sigil of Hahaiah is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.

Hahayel (Chayyiel)—in 3 *Enoch*, Hahayel is prince of ministering angels when these angels sit in at the divine judgment councils.

Hahaziah—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae, according to Barrett, *The Magus II*.

Hahiniah—in the cabala, one of the throne angels. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Hahlil—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Hahowel—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a ministering angel.

Hahuiah—one of 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Haiaiel (Hahahel)—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac and one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. The sigil of Haiaiel is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 294.

Hailael (Hayael)—chief angel of the order of hayyoth ("holy beasts").

Haim—an angel who exercises dominion over the zodiacal sign of Virgo. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Hajoth Hakados—a species of angels inhabiting one of the hierarchies named "Jehovah," according to Spencer, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 199. Hajoth Hakados is also referred to as one of the spheres of the angels.

Hakael—one of the 7 leaders of the apostate angels, "the seventh Satan." [Rf. Charles, *The Book of Enoch*, p. 138 fn.; Schmidt, *The Apocalypse of Noah and the Parables of Enoch*.]

Hakamiah—one of the cherubim (invoked against traitors) and guardian angel of France. His corresponding angel is Verasua. His sigil is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 267.

Hakem—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merk-abah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Hakha—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* an angel of the Seal.

Hakham—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Halacho—genius of sympathies; also one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Halabel—a spirit, partly good and partly evil, under the rule of Bael. His seal is shown in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, Fig. 175.

Halelviel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merk-abah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Halliza—the name of an angel appearing on the external circle of the pentagram of Solomon (Fig. 156). [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Halqim—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. Ozar *Midrashim II*, 316.]

Haludiel—an angel of the 4th Heaven invoked on Lord's Day, with the invocant facing south. Haludiel is also an intelligence of the sun. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Halwaya—a secret name of the angel Metatron, as revealed in *The Visions of Ezekiel*.

Hamabiel—in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, an angel that exercises dominion over the zodiacal sign of Taurus. In ceremonial magic, however, the angel over Taurus is Tual. Asmodel is also credited with dominion over this zodiacal sign.

Hamal (Hmnal)—an angel with dominion over water. Also one of the 7 angels worshipped by Balaam. Hamal is invoked in Arabic incantation rites. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Asatir*.]

Hamaliel—angel of the month of August, one of the rulers of the order of virtues, and governor of the zodiacal sign of Virgo—all the foregoing according to Trithemius. In ceremonial magic, the governor of Virgo is Voil or Voel. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*; Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*.]

Hamarytzod—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 11th hour, serving under Dardariel.

Hamatiel—in occultism, a zodiacal angel governing Virgo. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Hamaya—a ministering angel, mentioned in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Hamayzod—angel of the 4th hour of the night serving under Jefischa. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Hameriel—angel of the 5th hour of the night, serving under Abasdarhon.

Haniel [Haniel]

Ham Meyuchad—an angel of the order of cherubim. Ham Meyuchad is sometimes equated with the great angel Akatriel. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Hamneijs—an angel of the Seal, mentioned in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Hamon—according to Jerome, commenting on Isaiah 10:13, Hamon is another name for the angel Gabriel. [Rf. *3 Enoch*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI.] In *Ozar Midrashim* (II, 316)

Hamon is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. In *3 Enoch* (chap. 18) Hamon is a "great prince, fearful and honored, pleasant and terrible, who maketh all the children of heaven to tremble when the time draweth nigh for the singing of the Thrice Holy."

Hamshalim (Hashmallim)—one of the 10 angelic hierarchic orders as listed in *The Zohar*; in this cabalistic work the hamshalim are under the ministry of Samael.

Hamwak'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Hanaeb—one of the 12 angels of the zodiac. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Hanael [Haniel]

Hananel—one of the fallen angels in *Enoch I*.

Hananiel ("graciously given of God")—an archangel whose name appears inscribed on a pentagram, i.e., a Hebrew amulet of cabalistic origin. See reproduction of pentagram in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 233.

Hanhl—the angel who ordered Balaam to build the first 7 altars. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Asatir*.]

Haniel (Aniel, Hamiel, Onoel, Hanael—"glory or grace of God" or "he who sees God")—angel of the month of December, chief of the order of principalities, virtues (tarshishim), and innocents, according to Barrett, *The Magus*. Haniel is also governor of the sign of Capricorn (as cited by Camfield in *A Theological Discourse of Angels*), and of Venus. He figures in the list of the 7 (or 10) archangels and the 10 holy sefiroth. Variants of the name occur: Hamiel, Simiel, Onoel, Anaël, etc. In occult writings Haniel is credited with the feat (usually ascribed to Anafiel) of transporting Enoch to Heaven. Haniel has been compared to the Chaldean Ishtar (who ruled Venus) and is invoked as an amulet against evil. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Hanniniel—in Aramaic incantation rites, an angel appealed to in love charms. [Rf. Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*.]

Hannuel—an angel who exercises dominion over the zodiacal sign of Capricorn. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Hanoziz—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel, as cited in Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Hanozoz—an angel of the 9th hour of the night, serving under Nacoriel.

Hantiel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguaniel.

Hanum (Hanun)—a Monday angel residing in the 1st Heaven and invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.] de Claremont, *The Ancient's Book of Magic*, claims that Hanum must be invoked from the north.

Ha-Qadosch Berakha—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, a name for the "Holy and Blessed One" called on in Solomonian conjurations.

Haqemel—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac, as listed in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.

Harabael (Harabiel)—an angel with dominion over the earth.

Harab-Serapel ("ravens of death")—an averse sefira to Netzach, whose cortices are Theuniel and Baal Chanan. Harab-Serapel is 7th of the 10 demons in the Asiatic world; he is also a leader in the infernal regions. Cf. "adversaries of the Elohim or the Gods, and their chief is Baal" in Levi, *Philosophie Occulte*, where Harab-Serapel is regarded as plural. [Rf. chart in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, facing p. 80.]

Harahel—in the cabala, an angel in charge of archives, libraries, and rare cabinets; also one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. sigil of Harahel in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.]

Harariel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Harbonah ("ass driver")—one of the 7 angels of confusion, as cited in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*. In the story relating to Ahasuerus and Esther, Harbonah is the angel of annihilation.

Harchiel—in black magic rites, an angel invoked to command the demons that confer the gift of invisibility. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 45.]

Harhaziel (Harhazial)—one of the guardian angels of one of the halls or palaces of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Hariel (Harael, Behemial)—angel with dominion over tame beasts. Hariel is invoked against impieties. He rules science and the arts and is of the order of cherubim. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.] Hariel's sigil is in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 267.

Hariph—another name for the angel Raphael in Maria Brooks' book-length poem *Zophiel* (q.v.).

Haris—another name for Iblis, chief of the jinn and leader of the fallen angels in Arabic lore.

Hariton (fictional)—an archangel who figures in Gurdjieff's cosmic myth, *All and Everything, Beelzebub's Tales to His Grandson*. Hariton devises a new type of ship for navigating interplanetary space.

Harmozey (Harmozel, Armogen)—in gnostic lore, one of the 4 great luminaries that "surround the self-begotten, the savior, or God." [Rf. *Apocryphon of John*; Irenaeus, *Contra Haereses*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*.] The 3 other luminaries that surround the self-begotten are usually listed as Oroiael, Daveitha, and Eleleth.

Harshael [Harshiel]

Harshiel—an angel invoked in Syriac conjuring ceremonies. In *The Book of Protection*, Harshiel, as a spellbinding power, is cited (especially for the binding of sorcerers) along with Michael, Gabriel, Saphiel, Azrael, and others.

Harta'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Harudha—in Persian mythology, the angel who rules the element of water. In Mandaean lore, Harudha is equated with the female Haurvatat, who is the spirit of health and vegetation, as well as ruler of water.

Harut (Haroth, Haurvatati, Haroot)—usually linked with Maroth in Islamic legend. Harut was sent down from Heaven (with Maroth) to teach mortals the art of government (see the Koran, *sura* 2, 102). In Persian lore, Harut and Maroth were angels of the highest rank, claimed to be 2 of the amesha spentas, and in possession of the secret name of God; this name unhappily they revealed to Zobra or Zuhrah, a mortal woman, with whom they both fell in love. A footnote to Ode 14 of Hafiz (in the English rendering by Richard Le Gallienne) states that, by the power of the Explicit Name, Zuhrah ascended to the planet Venus “with which she became identified in Mohammedan mythology”; and goes on to say that the fallen angels (Marut and Harut) “were punished by being confined, head down, in a pit near Babylon, where they were supposed to teach magic and sorcery.” In Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 615, the pair are characterized as “fallen angels with a Satanic role.”

Harviel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 2nd heavenly hall.

Hasdiel—an angel of the planet Venus; also the angel of benevolence, as recorded in a German-type mezuzah. In his duties as angel of benevolence, Hasdiel shares the office with Zadkiel (*q.v.*). [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.] In *The Zohar* (Numbers 154b), Hasdiel is one of 2 chieftains (the other being Shamshiel) that accompanied Uriel when the latter bore his standard in battle.

Haseha—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. For the names of all 15, see Appendix.

Hashesiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Hashmal (Chasmal, Hayyah)—chief angel of the order of hashmallim (dominations). According

to *The Zohar*, the term denotes “an inner, supernal sphere, hidden and veiled, in which the mysteries of the celestial letters of the Holy Name are suspended.” [Rf. Ezekiel 1:4; Cf. Talmud *Hagiga* 13.] In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 18, it is said that “Hashmal surrounds the throne of God.” He is the “fire-speaking angel.” Joseph Albo in *Sefer ha-Ikharim* (Book of Principles) I, 14, reports that the rabbis, when speaking of Hashmal, mean “the hayyot of fire-speaking.” In *Hagiga*, it is related that “once upon a time a young man was studying the vision of Ezekiel and was dwelling upon the angel Chashmal when fire proceeded from Chashmal and consumed him.” The moral of this is not explained.

Hashmallim (the “hayyot,” living creatures)—a high order of angels, equated with the dominations. The hashmallim are ranked with the cherubim and seraphim. While the eponymous chief is Hashmal, Zadkiel or Zacharai is also designated head of the order. In the cabala, the hashmallim belong to the yetziratic world, the world of foundation, the abode of angels presided over by the angel Metatron. [Rf. Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*, p. 38.] It is said (*Bereshith Rabba*) that the river Dinur (“fiery river”) was created “out of the sweat of those animals [the hashmallim] who sweat because they carry the throne of the Holy and Blessed God.”

Hashul—one of the chiefs of the order of the hashmallim, as reported in *Maseket Azilut*. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 67.]

Hasmed—the angel of annihilation, and one of the five angels of punishment that Moses encountered in Heaven. [Rf. *Midrash Tehillim* on Psalm 7.]

Hasmiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Hasmodai—a spirit of the moon, invoked in talismanic magic. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 147.]

Hasriel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

"Hastening Angel"—a term applied by Milton (*Paradise Lost* XII, 637) to Michael as the angel who "caught/Our lingring Parents" and led them out of Eden. Dryden in his *State of Innocence* informs us that it was Raphael, not Michael, who expelled the ill-fated pair. [Rf. Angels of the Garden of Eden.]

Hatach—an angel invoked in medieval Jewish incantation rites. The name derives from the initials of the words of the incantation. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 165.]

Hatiphas—genius of finery, mentioned in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Hatspatsiel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Hauras (Haures, Havres, Flauros)—one of the 72 spirits that Solomon, according to legend, shut up in a brass vessel and cast into a deep lake (or into the sea). Formerly, as he confided to Solomon, Hauras was a mighty celestial power (but to which order he belonged he did not say). He converses gladly about the creation of the world and the fall of the angels. In Hell, where he is a great duke, he appears in the form of a leopard but, on command of an exorcist, will manifest in human shape. He gives true answers concerning the past and the future. Under his sway, and ready to do his bidding, are 36 legions of the damned. His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 186. In De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 ed.) he is pictured in the shape of a man-leopard.

Haurvatat ("wholeness")—in Zoroastrianism, one of the 6 amesha spentas (archangels). Haurvatat is female and the personification of salvation. She is also a spirit of the waters. In Mandaean lore she is known as Harudha, or equated with Harudha, since the latter is male. [Rf. *Grundriss der iranischen Philologie* III.] Some scholars see a derivation of the Koranic fallen angel Harut from this Persian archangel. [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*, p. 131.]

Haurvatati (Haurvatat)—an angel in Arabic lore derived from the amesha spentas; also called Chordad.

Haven—in Levi, *Transcendental Magic* (p. 503), one of the 12 genii who preside over the 12 hours of the day. Haven is the genius of dignity.

Havhaviyah, Haviyahu, Hayat—3 of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Hayya—singular for hayyoth.

Hayyael [Hayyel]

Hayyel (Hashmal, Chayyiel, Hayyiel, Johiel, Yayael)—chief angel of the hayyoth (*q.v.*). He has dominion over wild beasts, according to 3 *Enoch*, but shares the dominion with Thegri (Thuriel), Mtniel, and Jehiel.

Hayyiel [Hayyel]

Hayyoth ("holy, heavenly beasts"—Chayoh, chayyoth, Chiva)—a class of Merkabah angels equated or ranked with the cherubim, residing in the 7th Heaven. Angels of fire, they support the throne of Glory (*see* hashmallim). As reported in 3 *Enoch*, they each have "4 faces, 4 wings, 2,000 thrones, and are placed next to the wheels of the Merkabah." Ezekiel saw the hayyoth (cherubim) by the river Chebar (Ezekiel 20). According to *The Zohar* (Vayigash 211a) there are 36 hayyoth—although, in 3 *Enoch*, they number only 4. They constitute the "camp of the Shekinah." They receive the holy effluence from above and disseminate it to the hayyoth, who are the "movers of the wheels." [See Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*.] According to *The Zohar* (Noah, 71b) the hayyoth uphold the universe; when they spread their wings, they break forth at the same moment into songs of praise "as the voice of the Almighty." [Cf. Ezekiel 1:24; 6:3.] The prophet's vision of the hayyoth and the post-Biblical lore on these holy beasts strongly influenced, it is claimed, the work of the contemporary painter, Marc Chagall.

Haziel ("vision of God")—a cherub invoked to obtain the pity of God. Haziel is one of 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shem-hamphorae (*see* Appendix). When equated with

Bernaël (*q.v.*), he is an angel of darkness. For Haziël's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260. [*Rf. Falasha Anthology.*] In I Chronicles 23:9 Haziël is a mortal, an offspring of the Gershonites. The cabalists very likely drew the name from this source.

Heavenly Academy—the trial body of angels that assemble to judge human beings when the latter appear in Heaven for judgment. If a mortal proves worthy, he is "crowned with many radiant crowns," but if he proves unworthy, he is "thrust outside, and stands within the pillar until he is taken to his punishment." [*Rf. The Zohar* (Balak 185b).]

Heavenly Host—a term denoting the angels of Heaven as a whole. Job conceived the heavenly host as morning stars singing together and shouting for joy. In Dante's *Paradiso*, canto 27, the heavenly host intone the "Gloria in Excelsis." For this and the succeeding canto, Doré provided wood engravings. Blake saw the innumerable company (the heavenly host) crying "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord God Almighty."

Heavenly Scribe—Michael, Enoch, Vretil, Metatron, Radueriel, Soferiel. The heavenly scribe is associated with the "man clothed in linen," an image found in Ezekiel 9:2 and in Daniel 10.

Hebdomad—a term in Ophitic (gnostic) lore for the 7 angels or potentates, rulers of the 7 Heavens, the 7 being Iadalbaoth, Jao, Sabaoth, Adoneus (Adonai), Eloeus, Horeus (Oreus), Astaphaeus. Origen, in *Contra Celsum* VI, spells out equivalent names of these 7, to wit: Michael (in the form of a lion); Suriel (in the form of an ox); Raphael (in the form of a dragon); Gabriel (in the form of an eagle); Thautabaoth (in the form of a bear); Erataoth (in the form of a dog); Onoel (in the form of an ass). [*Rf. Mead, Thrice-Greatest Hermes* III, p. 294.]

Hechaloth (hechaloth)—the hechaloth are the 7 female emanations of God, the counterpart of the 10 male sefiroth (*q.v.*). *The Zohar* (Exodus 128a), translates the word to mean beautiful virgins. The term "hechaloth" also denotes the

heavenly halls or palaces guarded over by the great warden angels. It should be pointed out that these emanations are from the right side of the Creator. There are also unholy emanations (the unholy sefiroth, the averse ones) and these issue from His left side (the dark or evil side). For a listing of both choirs, see Appendix. The *Book of Hechaloth*, originally published by Jellinek, was reissued by Odeberg as *3 Enoch* or *The Hebrew Book of Enoch*. See Hechaloth for an angel so named.

He'el ("life of God")—an angel leader of the "heads of thousands." He'el is ruler of one of the seasons of the year, as noted in *Enoch I*. In the Apocrypha, He'el is associated with the angel Elimelech (*q.v.*).

Heiglot—in transcendental magic, a genius or angel of snowstorms. He is also a ruler of the 1st hour. In Apollonius of Tyana's *The Nuctemeron* the 12 hours, analogous to the 12 zodiacal signs, are presided over by 12 genii or angels, of whom Heiglot is one.

Heikhali—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

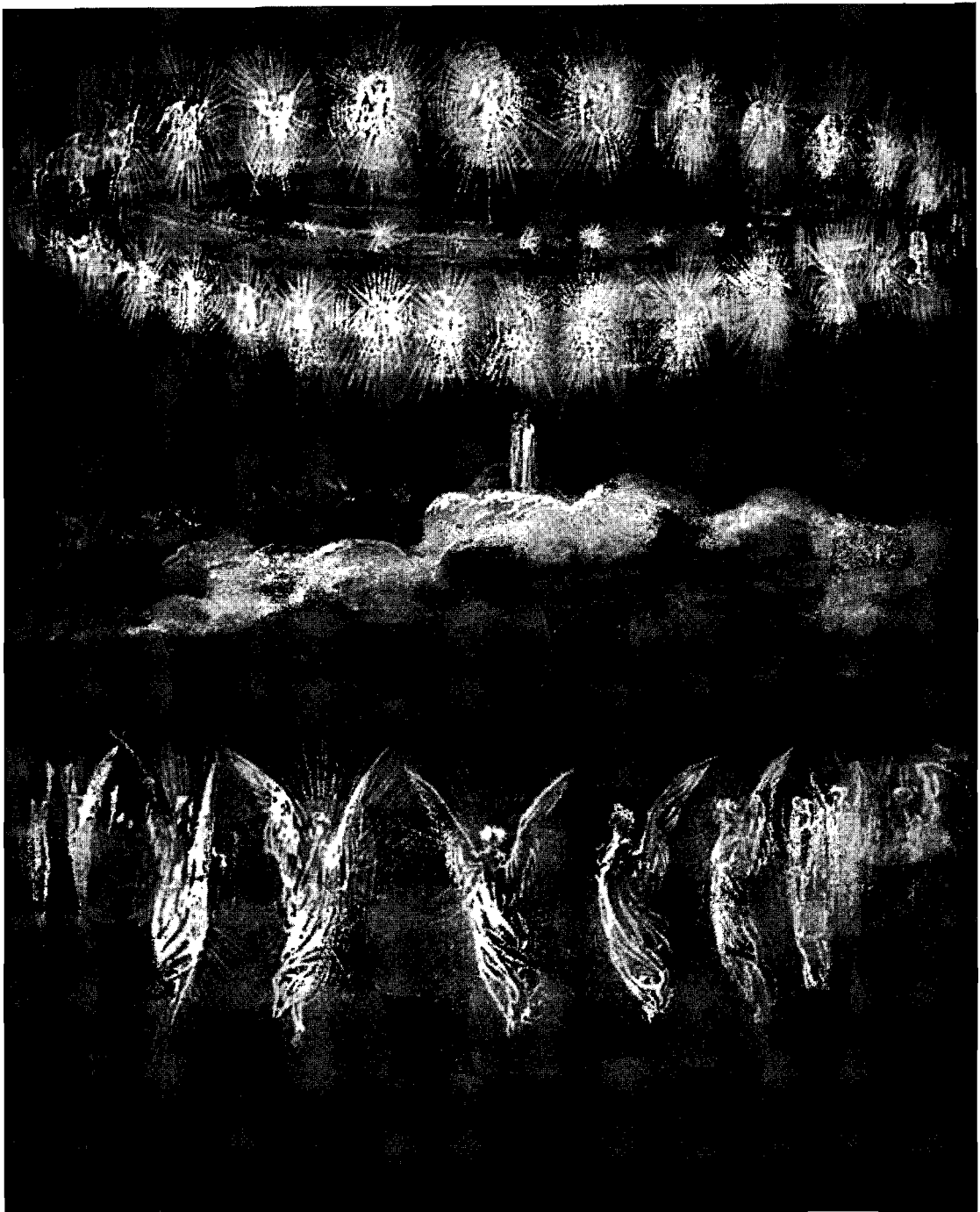
Hekaloth (hechaloth)—an angel in the heavenly Paradise mentioned in the treatise *Hekaloth* and in *The Zohar* I, 141 fn.

Hel—according to Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*, a name for God (or of an angel of God) invoked in conjuring rites.

Helayaseph (Jiluyaseph, Hilujaseph)—an angel governing one of the seasons. In *Enoch I* Helayaseph is "head of a thousand" angels of the seasons. [*Rf. Charles, The Book of Enoch*, p. 177.]

Helech [Abelech]

Helel—in Canaanitish mythology, a fallen angel, son of Sahar or Sharer, a winged deity. Helel sought to usurp the throne of the chief god and, as punishment, was cast down into the abyss. Cf. the Lucifer legend. The 1st star to fall from Heaven (*Enoch I*, 86:1) was Satan-Helel. This is an interpretation offered by Morgenstern, "The Mythological Background of Psalm 82" (*Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion*



The sparkling circle of the heavenly host by Doré. Illustration to Canto 27 of Dante's *Paradiso*.
From Dante, *The Divine Comedy*, translated by Lawrence Grant White.

Annual XIV, pp. 29–126). However, in his *Fallen Angels*, Bamberger argues: “The more natural explanation is that the 1st star [that fell] was Azazel.” Helel was head or leader of the nephilim (q.v.). Generally speaking, angels can have no offspring, since they are pure spirits; but when angels sin, when they “put on the corruptibility of the flesh” and cohabit with mortal women, they are capable of producing progeny. A case in point is the incident in Genesis 6. In the cabala and rabbinic lore there are numerous instances of such heteroclitish productivity. [Rf. Graves and Patai, *Hebrew Myths*.]

Heleleth (Eleleth)—in gnostic lore, a great luminary, described thus in the *Hypostasis of the Archons*: “the great Heleleth descends from before the holy spirit; his aspect is like gold, his vesture like snow.” [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 178.]

Helemmelek—in *Enoch I*, an angel governing one of the seasons. The name is said to be an inversion of Milkiel.

Helias the Prophet—a name for the forerunner angel. See John the Baptist.

Hel(l)ison—one of the 5 angels of the 1st altitude, the other 4 being Alimiel, Gabriel, Barachiel, Lebes. When invoked, Helison appears carrying a banner adorned with a crimson cross, crowned with roses. [Rf. *The Almadel of Solomon*.]

Hemah—angel of wrath, with dominion over the death of domestic animals; also an angel of destruction. According to *The Zohar I*, Hemah, with the help of a brother angel named Af, well-nigh swallowed Moses, and would have succeeded in doing so, but for the timely intervention of God. When the Lawgiver was disgorged, he turned around and slew Hemah—one of the rare instances where a mortal was able to do away with an immortal, an angel. Like Af, Hemah was 500 parasangs tall, and was “forged out of chains of black and red fire,” as described in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews II*, 308.

Heman (“trust”)—according to Rabbi Judah in *The Zohar* (Kedoshim) and according to 3 *Enoch*,

Heman is a leader of one of the heavenly choirs. Heman and the angels under him sing hosannas in the morning hours, just as those under Jeduthun sing hosannas in the evening hours, and those under Asaph sing at night. Psalm 88 is headed: “To the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leannoth, Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite.” In the course of time, it seems that the 3 psalmists (Heman, Asaph, and Jeduthun) were transformed into maestro-angels in order to perform, in Heaven, services for which they showed special skill on earth.

Herachio [Astrachios]

Herald Angel—identified as Raziel or Akraziel; also Michael. Said to have announced Jesus’ resurrection. The term was made popular by Wesley’s “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!” When pictured with right hand raised in benediction and wings outspread, the herald angel is the symbol of the Nativity.

Herald of Hell—the angel Zophiel. [Rf. Klopstock, *The Messiah*.]

Hermes—the agathosdaimon, the “bringer of good, the angel standing by the side of Tyche.” [Rf. Harrison, *Epilegomena to the Study of Greek Religion*, pp. 294ff.] Hermes is the psychopompos (q.v.), god of the underworld, daimon of reincarnation. He is also the god of flocks and herds. He received his art of divination and golden wand from Apollo, his winged sandals from Perseus. In Homer it is Hermes who leads the ghosts of slain suitors to Hades. He was given the name Trismegistus—“thrice-greatest Intelligencer”—because, so it is said, he was the 1st intelligence to communicate celestial knowledge to man. It is also said that the cabala was shown to Hermes by God on Mt. Sinai and that, in fact, he was none other than the Hebrew lawgiver Moses [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*, “Biographia Antiqua,” p. 150.] This identification, however, is disputed by N. Wieder in his article “Idea of a Second Coming of Moses” (*Jewish Quarterly Review*, April 1956), declaring “Nowhere in rabbinic literature does one meet with this designation [i.e., Hermes]. And this is only natural: the rabbis must have regarded it as most objectionable to attach to Moses the

name of a heathen deity." The last poem Longfellow wrote (1882) was titled "Hermes Trismegistus."

Hermesiel—a leader of the heavenly choir, sharing this post with Metatron, Radueriel, Tagas, and other celestial masters of song. Hermesiel is an angel "created" from Hermes, the Greek divinity. Says T. Gaster in *The Holy and the Profane*: "Hermes, inventor of the lyre, was transmogrified into the angel Hermesiel"—a suffix device by which sundry pagan material and sources were made to serve the uses of early Jewish angelologists. In time, Prof. Gaster adds, Hermesiel was identified with David, "sweet singer of Israel."

Heroes of Heaven—a term for good angels, as in Mansoor, *The Thanksgiving Hymns*.

Hetabor—an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. Found in works of practical cabala, originally in Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.

Heziel—an angel of the zodiac.

Hhml Haml—angel of the firmament, one of the 7 angels worshipped by Balaam. The name was created through permutations of the letters of the Hebrew alphabet. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Asatir*.]

Hibel-Ziwa—in Mandaeen lore, an angel equated with Gabriel. See Hiwel-Ziwa.

Hiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Hierarchy [Celestial Hierarchy]

Hierimiel [Jeremiel]

Hilofatei and **Hilofei**—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), angelic guards stationed in the 4th heavenly hall.

Hiniel—an angel invoked in Syriac incantation rites, along with Michael, Gabriel, Sarphiel, and other "spellbinding angels," as cited in *The Book of Protection*.

Hipeton (Anaphaxeton)—a spirit or angel

of the planet Jupiter, sharing rulership with the angel Johphiel (i.e., Jophiel). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Hiphkadiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Hismael—the spirit of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 146.]

Hivvah—one of 2 sons of the fallen angel Semyaza. See Hiyyah.

Hiwel-Ziwa (Hibel-Ziwa)—in Mandaeen lore, one of the 360 divine beings, created by Alaha, the Supreme Being. Hiwel in turn is said to have created this world.

Hiyyah—a son of the fallen angel Semyaza. [See Hivvah.] According to legend, Hiyyah and his brother together consumed daily 1,000 camels, 1,000 horses, and 1,000 oxen.

Hizarbin—a genius of the sea and one of the genii of the 2nd hour. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, quoting *The Nuctemeron* of Apollonius of Tyana.]

Hizkiel—with Kafziel, Hizkiel serves as chief aide to Gabriel when the latter bears his standard in battle. [Rf. *The Zohar*, Numbers 155a.] In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Hizkiel (or Hizziel) is one of numerous guards of the gates of the North Wind.

Hlin Hntr—one of the "nomina barbara," Hlin Hntr is an angel of winds and among the 7 angels worshipped by Balaam, as noted in M. Gaster, *The Asatir*.

Hlk Lil Hlk Lib—one of the "nomina barbara," an angel of holiness, and one of the 7 worshipped by Balaam.

Hlm Hml [Hhml Haml]

Hngel—an angel of the summer equinox, effective as an amulet against the evil eye.

Hochmel (Hocroel, Hochmal, Hokmael, Hochmael—"wisdom of God")—the angel who is reputed to have inspired the 7-volume *Grimoire of Pope Honorius III*. Hochmel is one of the 10 sefiroth.

Hocus Pocus—in Jewish magical rites of the Middle Ages, Hocus Pocus manifests as “a prince [angel] on high”—in fact, as two princes. The term derives, it is said, from “hoc est corpus meum.” [Rf. Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*, p. 45.]

Hod [Hodiriron]

Hodiel (“victory of God”)—an angel of the Briatic world (the world of Creation), according to cabalists. [See Hodiriron.] In Moses Botarel’s work on the efficacy of amulets, Hodiel is mentioned as an angel who might profitably be invoked, along with Kabniel, Tarpiel, and other invocation spirits.

Hodiriron (from “hod,” meaning splendor)—9th of the 10 holy sefiroth (*q.v.*), as listed in the text of Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria, and in the works of other cabalists.

Hodniel—an angel reputed to have the power of curing stupidity in man.

Hoesediel (“mercy of God”—*choesed*)—like Hodiël, Hoesediel is an angel of the Briatic world (one of the 4 archetypal worlds). See chart facing p. 60, Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, where Hoesediel is listed along with Zadkiel as belonging to the order of hashmalim or dominations. Hoesediel is also ranked as one of the 10 sefiras.

Hofniel (“fighter for God”)—chief of the *bene elohim* (“sons of God”), an order among the 10 hierarchies in the cabala. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, “Angelology.”]

Hokmael [Hochmel]

Holy Beasts—in Talmud the holy beasts are the cherubim. In *Hagiga* “the holy beasts are numbered with the ophanim [wheels, thrones] and the seraphim, and the ministering angels.” See hashmallim and hayyoth.

Holy Ghost (or Holy Spirit)—another name for the Comforter (*q.v.*), the 3rd person in the Trinity, sometimes regarded as female. The apocryphal *The Gospel According to the Hebrews* makes the Lord speak of “my mother the Holy Ghost” who “took me by one of my hairs and

carried me to the great mountain Tabor” (traditionally the mountain of the Transfiguration). The “mother” reference here is explained by the fact that in Aramaic, which Jesus spoke, as also in Hebrew, the word *spirit* or *ghost* is of the feminine gender. Origen *On John* II, 12, quotes the cited passage from *The Gospel According to the Hebrews*. [Rf. Harnack, *History of Dogma* IV, 308; Hervieux, *The New Testament Apocrypha* (p. 132); Hastings, *Dictionary of the Bible*, “Tabor.”] The *Commentary on the Apocalypse of the Blessed John* suggests that “by the angel flying through the midst of Heaven is signified the Holy Spirit.”

Holy Ones—another term for archangels.

Homadiel—identified as the “Angel of the Lord.” [Rf. introduction to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Horaïos (Oreus, Horeus)—one of the 7 archons in the Ophitic (gnostic) system and ruler of one of the 7 Heavens “leading to the aeon of the archons.” See Invocation to Horaïos reproduced in Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, 74. Origen in *Contra Celsum* also mentions Horaïos.

Hormuz—in ancient Persian lore, the angel in charge of the 1st day of the month. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 35.]

Horses—a term for angels, as in Zechariah 6:2-5: “These [red, black, white, and grizzled horses] are the four spirits of the heaven which go forth to stand before the Lord of all the earth.” For a similar use of the term, see the Book of Revelation.

Hosampsich—one of the leaders of the fallen angels in Enoch writings. [Rf. Voltaire, “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils.”]

Hosts—a term for angels; also a designation for one of the 10 angelic orders (before Dionysius fixed the orders at 9 and omitted hosts). [Rf. *Apostolic Constitutions*; Parente, *The Angels*.]

Hosts of the High Ones or **Hosts of the Height**—a term for angels, as in Isaiah 24:21, where God threatens dire punishment on his

servitors, mortal and divine: "And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high and the kings of the earth upon the earth." [Cf. God's dissatisfaction with the angels in Job 4:18: "Behold, he put no trust in his servants, and his angels he charged with folly."]

Hosts of the Lord—according to the *Mekilta of Rabbi Ishmael*, the Hosts of the Lord are the ministering angels led by Michael.

Household of the Upper World—in hechaloth literature, the Household of the Upper World constitutes one of the highest angelic groups—called, in Hebrew, "pamelia shel ma'alah." [Rf. Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*, p. 152.]

Hout—an angel invoked in Arabic conjuring rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, p. 152.]

Hoveh Hayah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Hshahshiel—a Syrian "spellbinding" angel mentioned in *The Book of Protection*. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 273.]

Hsprh Hsmim—one of the 7 angelic creatures worshipped by Balaam. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Asatir*, p. 263.]

Hubaiel—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven, according to a listing in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Hubaril—an angelic messenger of the planet Saturn. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 33.]

Hufaltiel (Huphaltiel)—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven. He officiates on Friday and is to be invoked from the west. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Shah, *Occultism*; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Hugron Kunya—one of the 14 great conjuring angels named in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Huha—a name for God or of an angel mentioned by the Essenes in their *Covenant of the Community* (a scroll recently discovered among

the Dead Sea Scrolls). [Rf. Potter, *The Last Years of Jesus Revealed*.]

Hukiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Hula'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Humastrav (Humastraw)—a Monday angel invoked from the north. Humastrav is said to reside in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Humiel—in occultism, a zodiacal angel governing Capricorn. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Huphaltiel [Hufaltiel]

Huphatriel—one of the angelic intelligences of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Huristar [Barinian]

Hurmin—another name for Satan.

Hurmiz—one of the daughters of Lilith (q.v.). Hurmiz is mentioned in Talmud *Sabbath* 151b. [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 71.]

Hurtapal—one of 3 angels of Lord's Day (Sunday), the other 2 angels being Michael and Dardael. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Husael—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Hushmael—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Hutriel ("rod of God")—one of the 7 angels of punishment, equated with Oniel (q.v.). Hutriel lodges in the 5th camp of Hell, and helps in the "punishment of the 10 nations." [Rf. *Maseket Gan Eden and Gehinnom*; Jellinek, *Beth ha-Midrash*; see also the *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593.]

Huzia—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Huznoth—a spirit invoked in the exorcism of the water. [*Rf.* Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 93.]

Hydra(s)—compare with the Chalkydri (*q.v.*).

Hyniel—one of the angels ruling on Tuesday and subject to the East Wind. Hyniel is to be invoked from the north. [*Rf.* Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

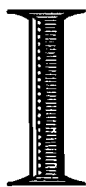
Hyoskiel Jhvhh—one of the angelic princes of the hosts of X. [*Rf.* M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses* XI.]

Hyperachii—in Chaldean theogony, a group of archangels who guide the universe. [*Rf.* Aude, *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Hypezokos (“flower of fire”)—one of the “effable, essential and elemental orders” in the Chaldean cosmological scheme.



Israfel, the Arabic angel of resurrection and song, by Hugo Steiner-Prag. From *The Poems of Edgar Allan Poe*. New York: Limited Editions Club, 1943.



Iabel—an evil angel invoked in ceremonial magic for separating a husband from his wife. Iabel is mentioned in *The Sword of Moses*.

Iachadiel—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 5th pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 80.] He “serveth unto destruction and loss . . . thou mayest call upon him against all Phantoms of the night and to summon the souls of the departed from Hades.”

Iadalbaoth (Ialdabaoth, Jaldabaoth, Ildabaoth, etc.)—the 1st archon of darkness. In Hebrew cabala and gnostic lore, Iadalbaoth is the demi-ourgos, occupying a position immediately below the “unknown Father.” In Phoenician mythology, he is one of the 7 elohim, creators of the visible universe. In Ophitic gnosticism, Iadalbaoth is said to have generated the 7 elohim (angels) in “his own image,” the 7 being: Iao, Sabaoth, Adonai, Ouraios, Eloi, Astaphaios, and Iadalbaoth’s own mother, Achamoth! Origen, who also refers to Iadalbaoth as one of the 7, or as the creator of the 7, speaks of him as “Michael’s second name.” In

Enoch I, Iadalbaoth is equated with Sammael as the fallen angel and as the supreme hierarch of the order of thrones.

Iadara—in association with another spirit named Schaltiel, Iadara governs the sign of the virgin (Virgo) in the zodiac.

Iadiel (“hand of God”)—an angel listed in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angélogologie*.

Iaeo—an angel invoked to exorcise demons. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*; Butler, *Ritual Magic*.] Iaeo is able, with the aid of other angels, to frustrate the machinations of the demon Saphathorael.

Iahhel—in the cabala, an archangel who has dominion over philosophers and those who wish to withdraw from worldly concerns. Iahhel is also one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [See Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique* for Iahhel’s sigil, p. 294.]

Iahmel—an angel who has dominion over the air. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Iaho (Jehovah)—the name of a divine spirit pronounced by Moses on Pharaoh Necho, causing the Egyptian king to die on the spot. [Rf. Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils," quoting Clement of Alexandria's *Stromatei*, 5.]

Ialcoajul—angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 70.]

Ialdabaoth [Iadalbaoth]

Iamariel—angel of the 9th hour of the night, serving under Nacoriel.

Iameth—an angel encountered in occult and apocryphal writings. He is the only beneficent spirit who is able to overcome the machinations of Kunospaston, demon of the sea. [Rf. Odeberg, *3 Enoch*; Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Iao the Great—1st of the 7 archons constituting the Hebdomad in the gnostic system of primordial powers. [Rf. *Pistis Sophia*.] According to Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, Iao the Great is the demiurge, master of the 7 Heavens. In *3 Enoch*, Iao's assistant, Little Iao, is actually Metatron under one of his many agnomina. [Cf. *Jeu*.]

Iaoth—in *The Testament of Solomon*, one of the 7 archangels. By the power of Iaoth's name, the demon Kurteel (who causes bowel pains) can be overcome. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Iaqwiel—an angel of the moon, cited in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Iax—an angel capable of thwarting the demon Roeled (who causes stomach trouble) and the demon Envy. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Iblis [Eblis]

Iboriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 7th heavenly hall.

Iciriël—one of the 28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon.

Idedi—in Akkadian theology, angels who have their dwelling in Heaven. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 148.]

Idrael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 5th heavenly hall.

Idris—a name for Enoch in Koranic lore. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Iealo—an angel invoked to exorcise demons. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*, p. 32; Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*.] Probably a variant of Iaeo (q.v.).

Iedidiel—an angel summoned up in ritual invocation. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Iehuiah—an angel of the order of thrones or of powers, a protector of princes, and one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. For Iehuiah's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 273.

Ieiaiel—angel of the future, sharing the office with Teiaiel (q.v.). Ieiaiel is also one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Ieilael—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Ielahiah—formerly an angel of the order of virtues, Ielahiah protects magistrates, and renders decisions in legal suits. He is also one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel is Sentacer. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Ieliel—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Ierahlem—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel invoked in ceremonial magic.

Ierathel (Terather)—an angel of the order of dominations, according to Barrett, *The Magus II*.

Ierimiel (Hierimiel)—a form of Jeremiel (q.v.).

Iesaia—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Ietuqiel—in occult lore, an angel invoked by women at childbirth. Ietuqiel is said to be the primitive name of Moses. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

'Ifafi—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 7th heavenly hall.

Iggereth bath Mahalath—a variant spelling in *The Zohar* (Leviticus 114a) for Agrat bat Mahlat (q.v.).

Ihiazel—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Ilibamiah—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Ijasusael—in Enoch lore, one of the leaders of the angels of the seasons.

Ikkar Sof—the angelic ruler of the month of Schebat (January-February). [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Ilaniel—in Jewish legend, an angel with dominion over fruit-bearing trees. [See Sofiel.]

Ili-Abrat (Ilabrat)—a winged angel, Babylonian chief messenger of the god Anu. He carries a staff or wand in his right hand. Also called Papukkal.

Im—Akkadian name for Rimmon (q.v.).

Imachedel—according to listing in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel, in ceremonial magic, invoked by the Master of the Art.

Images—"one of the 10 orders of angels in Talmud and Targum," according to Voltaire in his essay "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils."

Imamiah—in the cabala, an angel of the order of principalities, or rather an ex-angel of that order, since he is fallen. In Hell he supervises and controls voyages, and destroys and humiliates enemies, when he is invoked to do so, or is so disposed. He was once one of the 72 angels that bore the name of God Shemhamphorae. His sigil is pictured in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

'Immiel—in hechaloth lore, an angel who assists

Metatron (q.v.) in reciting the *Shema*. [Rf. 3 Enoch.]

Imriaf—in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*, the angelic ruler of the month of Tamouz (June-July).

Imriel ("eloquence of God")—the angelic ruler of the month of Siwan (May-June). [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Incubi—Justin Martyr, Clement, and Tertullian believe the incubi are "corporeal angels who allowed themselves to fall into the sin of lewdness with women." [Rf. Sinistrari, *Demoniality; or Incubi and Succubi*.]

Indri—in Vedic lore, one of the celestial deities analogous to the Judaeo-Christian angels. [See Adityas.]

Informer—a designation for Satan in *The Zohar*.

Ingethal or **Ingethel** [Gethel]

In Hii—in Mandaean mythology, one of the 4 *maliki* or *uthri* (i.e., angels) of the North Star. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*.]

Inias—one of the 7 angels reprobated at the church council in Rome (745 c.e.). The other reprobated angels were Uriel (sic), Raguel, Simiel (Semibel), Tubuel, Tubuas, and Saboac.

Innocents—according to Barrett, *The Magus*, the innocents rank 10th of the 12 orders in the celestial hierarchy, with the angel Hanael as ruler. In the pseudo-Dionysian scheme there are only 9 orders.

Innon—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, the holy name of an angel by which demons are commanded to appear in Solomonian conjuration rites.

Intelligences—the neo-Platonic equivalent of the Judaeo-Christian angels or sefiroth. Usually 10 in number. They are mentioned in the *Enchiridion of Pope Leo the Third* (Rome, 1523), where they are called planetary intelligences. [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*.]



Infant angels by Raphael. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Iobel—in gnostic lore, one of the 12 powers engendered by the god Ialdabaoth. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Ioelet—according to *The Testament of Solomon*, an angel invoked to exorcise demons. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*.] With the help of other angels, Ioelet is able to frustrate the designs of the demon Saphathorael.

Iofiel (“beauty of God”—Iophiel, Zophiel, Jofiel, Jophiel)—a companion angel of Metatron; a prince of the Law (Torah), usually included among the 7 archangels and equated with Yefefiah (q.v.). According to Cornelius Agrippa, Iofiel is ruler of the planet Saturn, alternating with Zaphchiel (Zaphkiel). In his doctrine of Talismans, Paracelsus cites Iofiel as the intelligence of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.] According to de Bles, *How to Distinguish Saints in Art*, it is Iofiel (Jophiel) who drove Adam and Eve out of Eden. This is also the view of the Rev. R. L. Gales in “The Christian Lore of Angels.” In a work called *Angels in Art* by C. E. Clement, Iofiel is cited as the preceptor angel of the sons of Noah (Shem, Ham, and Japhet).

Iomuel—an angel who had sexual relations with women before the Flood, according to Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélogologie*. Iomuel is to be included with the fallen angels.

Ioniel—in Solomonic lore, one of the 2 princes ruling the universe, the other angel being Sefoniel. Hē (Iōniel) may be invoked under the proper auspices and according to the proper magical rites.

Iophiel [Iofiel]

Irel—in occultism, an angel resident of the 5th Heaven. He rules Tuesday and is invoked from the west.

Irin (“watchers” or irin qaddisin, “holy watchers”)—twin angels resident in the 6th Heaven (the 7th according to *3 Enoch*). The irin constitute, together with the twin qaddisin (q.v.), the supreme judgment council of the heavenly court. They are among the 8 exalted hierarchs that enjoy a rank superior to that of Metatron (who is considered, in occult and apocalyptic lore, one of the greatest angels serving God). According to Daniel 4:17, the irin are the watchers or grigori (q.v.). In *3 Enoch* it is said that each of the irin “is equal to the rest of the angels and princes together.” Hyde in *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum* states that the irin are of Persian origin. In the *Revelation of Moses*, Metatron points out the irin to Moses in the 6th Heaven, at the time the Lawgiver visited Paradise while still in the flesh.

Isaac (Hebrew, Ishak, “he laughed”)—called “angel of light” because, at birth, Isaac had a supernatural brightness about him. His birth was announced by the angel Michael; and the fact that Abraham was too old at the time to be the begetter of offspring (Genesis 21) lent color to the legend that Isaac was of divine origin. “Jewish tradition,” says Forlong in *Encyclopedia of Religions*, “makes Isaac an angel of light, created before the world, and afterwards incarnate as one of the sinless patriarchs over whom death had no power.”

Isda—an angel who provides nourishment to human beings. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélogologie*.]

Isfandarmend (Isphan Darmaz)—in Persian mythology, the angel of February; also ruler of the 5th day of each month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Isheth Zenunim [Eisheth Zenunim]

Is(c)him (Aishim, Izachim)—angels composed of snow and fire, resident of the 5th Heaven (Cf. Psalms 104:4) where Moses encountered them. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 308; also V, 124.] In the cabala the ishim are "the beautiful souls of just men (the saints). In *The Zohar*, they are interchangeable with the bene elim, who are of the order of thrones or angels, with Azazel chief of the order. In the scheme of Mirandola, the ishim rank 9th in the hierarchic system (Dionysius does not mention them). Their duty, since Creation, has been to extol the Lord. Among the angelic hosts the ishim represent the 9th sefiroth (Eliphas Levi says the 10th). In this connection, see works of de Mirville, 19th-century pneumatologist. In *The Zohar*, Zephaniah (Zephemiah) is listed as chief of the order. Maimonides speaks of the ishim in his *Mishna Thora* as a high order of angels.

Ishliah—one of the angels governing the east. [See Gauril Ishliha.]

Isiael—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, and Barrett, *The Magus*, one of the Tuesday angels resident in the 5th Heaven.

Isis—in *Paradise Lost* I, 478, Milton places this Egyptian deity among the fallen angels. The Phoenicians confused Isis with Ashteroth who, in goetic lore, was once a seraph but is now a great duke serving in the nether regions.

Isma'il—in Arabic tradition, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."] Also, an angel in the 1st Heaven in charge of a group of angels (in the guise of cows) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Ismoli—in occultism, the ministering angel to Samax, the latter ruler of the angels of the air operating on Monday. [Rf. de Abano, *The*

Heptameron; Barrett, *The Magus* II; de Claremont, *The Ancient's Book of Magic*.]

Isphan Darmaz (Isphendarmoz, Spendarmoz)—in ancient Persian lore, the tutelary spirit of the earth and the angel who presided over the month of February. He also served as the genius (i.e., angel) for virtuous women. [Rf. Clayton, *Angelology*; Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Israel ("striver with God")—an angel of the order of hayyoth, a distinguished class of angels surrounding God's throne and to be compared with the cherubim and seraphim. In *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, Israel is ranked 6th of the throne angels. In the *Prayer of Joseph*, an Alexandrian gnostic apocryphon, commented on by Origen and Eusebius, there occurs this passage: "He who speaks to you, I, Jacob and Israel, am an angel of God and a principal (archikon) spirit." And elsewhere in the same: "I am Israel the archangel of the power of the Lord and the chief tribune among the sons of God." Further along, Jacob-Israel identifies himself as the angel Uriel. In this apocryphon, the patriarch Jacob is an archangel (angelic name: Israel) who has entered earthly life from a pre-existent state. [Rf. introd. 3 *Enoch*.] The mystics of the geonic period (7th-11th centuries) speak of a heavenly being named Israel; the function of this angel is to "call the hosts of angels to chant God's praise." He addresses them with these words: "Bless ye the Lord who is to be blessed." Philo identifies Israel with the Logos. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 307, Israel is designated "Jacob's countenance in the throne of Glory." [Rf. *Hekaloth*, 4:29; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, 6b.]

Israfel (Israfil, Isrephel, Sarafiel, etc.)—in Arabic folklore, "the burning one," the angel of resurrection and song, who will blow the trumpet on Judgment Day. He is described as 4-winged and "while his feet are under the 7th earth, his head reaches to the pillars of the divine throne." Also "3 times a day and 3 times during the night he looks down into Hell and is so convulsed with grief that his tears would inundate the earth if Allah did not stop their flow." It is further

"revealed" that for 3 years Israfel served as companion to Mohammed, whom he initiated in the work of a prophet, and that then Gabriel came and took over. [Rf. *Shorter Encyclopaedia of Islam*, "Israfil."] Another tradition in Islamic folklore speaks of Israfel, Gabriel, Michael, and Azrael being sent by Allah to the 4 corners of the earth to fetch 7 handfuls of dust for the creation of Adam—a variant of the Genesis account in which God Himself creates Adam out of the dust on the ground; or, according to Jewish lore (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 55), "from a spoonful of dust taken from the spot where, in time, the altar of atonement would stand in Jerusalem." On this mission only Azrael, angel of death, succeeded. Israfel, further, is one of the same 4 angels to be destroyed in the universal conflagration at the end of the world, of which the Koran speaks and which will occur at the sounding of the 3rd and final blast. However, there is a strong feeling that God or Allah will revive them, just as he has revived less deserving spirits (Rahab, for instance). [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 615.] Attention should be called here to the fact that Israfel is not mentioned by name in the Koran. It would be incorrect therefore to identify him as a Koranic angel—which, however, is what Poe has done in a footnote to his poem ("And the angel Israfel, whose heart strings are a lute, and who has the sweetest voice of all God's creatures—Koran"). Poe must have derived his quotation and description from a source or sources other than the Koran, for nothing of the kind can be found in it. (The matter has been made the subject of an article by the compiler of this Dictionary.) Israfel figures as a character in C. E. S. Wood's satire, *Heavenly Discourse*, Chapter 14, called "Preparedness in Heaven," in which God orders Israfel to "mobilize the Old Body Guard." In the Limited Editions Club *The Poems of Edgar Allan Poe* is a lithograph by Hugo Steiner-Prag, reproduced on p. 146. See Hervey Allen's biography of Poe called *Israfel*, and Edwin Markham's poem "Our Israfel."

Itatiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron (q.v.).

Ithoth—in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, an angel who, with the aid of other angels, is able to subvert the designs of the demon Saphathoreal.

Ithuriel ("discovery of God")—one of the 3 deputy *sarim* (princes) of the holy sefiroth serving under the ethnarchy of the angel Sephuriron. The name Ithuriel occurs in the 16th-century tracts of Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria, where the term is interpreted as denoting "a great golden crown"; and in Cordovero's *Pardes Rimmonim* (Orchard of Pomegranates). Earlier sources may yet come to light. The name appears also in the grimoires, as in the 1st pentacle of the planet Mars, figured in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 63. In *Paradise Lost* IV, 788, Milton refers to Ithuriel as a cherub ("mistakenly," says Gershom Scholem) who, along with Zephon, is dispatched by Gabriel to locate Satan. The "grieslie King" is discovered in the Garden of Eden "squat like a Toad close at the ear of Eve." By touching Satan with his spear, Ithuriel causes the Tempter to resume his proper likeness. The incident is illustrated in Hayley's edition of Milton's works (London, 1794). In Dryden, *The State of Innocence*, Ithuriel figures in the cast of characters as one of 4 angels. Note: It is clear from the sources cited that Milton did not coin Ithuriel (or Abdiel or Zophiel, as certain Milton scholars claim) but found him ready at hand. [Rf. West, "The Names of Milton's Angels" in *Studies in Philology* (April 1950).]

Itmon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron (q.v.).

Itqal—an angel of affection, invoked in cases of dissension among human beings. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*.]

Itra'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Iurabates—in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, an angel with dominion over the planet Venus. Other angels credited with governing Venus include Anael, Hasdiel, Raphael, Hagiël, and Noguel. Variant form, Eurabates.



Michelangelo's "Kneeling Angel with Candlestick." From *The Sculptures of Michelangelo*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1939.

Iuvar—an ex-prince of the order of angels, now serving in Hell. He is mentioned in Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*.

Iyar—a Talmudic angel said to have been derived from Babylonian sources, just as Gabriel and Michael were. Iyar is cited in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum* and in Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils."

Iyasusael [Ijasusael]

Izachel—in *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel invoked in ritual magic, specifically in prayer by the Master of the Art. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 204.]

Izads (Izeds)—in Zoroastrianism, heavenly hosts, the 2nd series of emanations after the amesha spentas. The izads are sometimes equated with the cherubim. There are 27 or 28 in the order. Their duty consists in watching over the "innocence, happiness, and preservation of the

world," of which they are the protecting genii and guardians. The most powerful and chief of these "spirits of light" is (or was) Mithras. [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*; Saltus, *Lords of the Ghostland*, p. 42.]

Iz'iel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 6th heavenly hall.

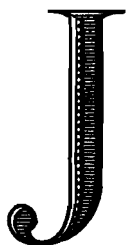
Izrael—one of 4 angels who will be exempt from the terrifying blast of the 1st Trumpet on Judgment Day (the other 3 angels being Gabriel, Michael, and Israfel). According to Islamic lore, there will be 3 blasts in all, the final one the blast of the Resurrection. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse," p. 59.] There will be, it seems, a 40-year (or 40-day) interval between each blast. At the very end, at Allah's command, "the dry and rotten bones and dispersed parts of the bodies of all human creatures, even to the very hairs, will be called to judgment."

Izrafel [Israfel]

Izschim [Ischim]



The Last Judgment. From a Persian miniature of the 8th century, reproduced from *The Lost Books of the Bible*.



Jabniel ("Jehovah causes to be built")—one of the ruling angels of the 3rd Heaven, as listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Jabriel [Jibril]

Jachniel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Jacob [Israel]

Jael (Joel)—one of the twin cherubim on the Mercy Seat of the Ark of the Covenant, the other cherub being Zarall. In occult lore, Jael is an angel governing the zodiacal sign of Libra.

Jahoel [Jehoel]

Jaluha—in the gnostic work *Texts of the Savior*, Jaluha is the "receiver of Sabaoth Adamas." To sinners who are being judged or purged, Jaluha bears the cup of oblivion so that the soul "may drink therein and forget all the places which it has passed through." [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* X, 187.]

Janax—a Monday angel of the 1st Heaven

invoked from the east. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 118.]

Janiel—angel of the 5th Heaven ruling on Tuesday and subject to the East Wind. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Jareahel [Jevanael]

Jarerial [Jazeriel]

Jariel—an angel of the divine face or presence. A variant form of Suriel, Sariel, Raziel.

Javan (Yavan; Greek, for Greece)—a guardian angel whose special sovereignty is (or was) Greece. In Jewish legend, Javan exercises dominion also over Israel, although, traditionally, it is Michael who serves as tutelary guardian of the chosen people. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI, 434.]

Jazar—a genius who "compels love." Jazar is one of the genii of the 7th hour, according to *The Nuctemeron* of Apollonius of Tyana.

Jazeriel (Jarerial)—one of the 28 angels ruling over the 28 mansions of the moon.



"When the morning stars sang together,"
by William Blake, illustrating Job 38:7. Frontis-
piece in Jastrow, *The Book of Job*.

Jeduthun ("praising" or "judgment")—in the cabala, lord of the evening choirs in Heaven. As "Master of Howling" he leads myriads of angels in chanting hymns of praise to God at the close of each day. Psalms 39, 62, 77 are inscribed "To the chief Musician, even Jeduthun." Here, clearly, Jeduthun is a mortal (a Levite), one of the directors of music at the temple; but in the early Middle Ages the Zoharists transformed Jeduthun into an angel and assigned him in Heaven a post similar to the one he invested on earth. [See Asaph; Heman.]

Jehoel (Jehuel, Jaol, Yahoel, Shemuel, Kemuel, Metatron)—mediator of the ineffable name and

one of the princes of the presence. In Jewish legend, Jehoel is "the angel who holds the Leviathan in check." He is chief of the order of seraphim (although it is Seraphiel who is commonly invested with this rank). According to *The Apocalypse of Abraham*, Jehoel (otherwise Metatron-Yahoel) is the heavenly choirmaster, "singer of the eternal" and "heavenly Son of Man" who accompanied Abraham on his visit to Paradise and revealed to him the course of human history. In his *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, Scholem suggests that Jehoel is an earlier name of Metatron. In the cabalistic *Berith Menuha* 57a, Jaol (Jehoel) is the principal angel over fire. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains* (p. 15), lists 7 subordinates of Jehuel—Seraphiel, Gabriel, Nuriel, Temmael, Shimshael, Hadarniel, and Sarmiel.

Jehovah-Angel—the angel in Genesis 48:16 is so termed (i.e., angel of the Lord) by Gregory Thaumaturgus in his "Panegyric Addressed to Origen."

Jehudiam—in *The Zohar* (Exodus 129a), Jehudiam is an angel "who keeps the accounts of the righteous." In addition, he "carries the 70 keys of all the treasures of the Lord."

Jehudiel—ruler of the movements of the celestial spheres. Cf. Metatron, "who doth the Primum Mobile guide." Jehudiel is sometimes included in the list of the 7 archangels. [See Salatheel.]

Jehuel [Jehoel]

Jekusiel—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, Jekusiel is an angelic guard stationed in one of the halls of the 1st Heaven.

Jekut(h)iel—an amulet spirit, invoked by women at childbirth. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.] Moses was christened Jekuthiel, says *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer*, because "his form was like that of an angel."

Jeliel—a seraph whose name is inscribed on the Tree of Life in the world of Yetzirah (Formation). In the cabala, Jeliel is the heavenly prince-ruler of Turkey. He controls the destiny of kings and other

high dignitaries and gives the palm of victory to those who are unjustly attacked or invaded. In addition, he inspires passion between the sexes and insures marital fidelity. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.

Jeou—in gnostic lore, a great heavenly power who shackles the god Ialdabaoth to a sphere of fate. Jeou deprives the god of his rank and elevates in his place Ialdabaoth's son, Ibraoth (or Sabaoth). [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 176.]

Jeqon (Yeqon, Yikon, "inciter")—a ringleader of the fallen angels, as listed in *Enoch I*. Of Jeqon it is said that, with the help of Asbeel, another apostate (*q.v.*), he led astray the sons of God (i.e., other angels) by tempting them with the sight of mortal women; and that it was with these women that these sons of God later had sexual relations. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*.]

Jerazol—an angel of power mentioned in cabalistic works. He is invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Jeremiel ("mercy of God" or "whom God sets up")—in *Enoch I* and *II Esdras*, Jeremiel is equated with Remiel; also with Uriel. He is one of the 7 archangels in the original or earliest listings. He has been described as the "lord of souls awaiting resurrection." [Rf. various editions of the Apocrypha by Goodspeed, Metzger, and Komroff.] In *II Esdras* 4:36, Jeremiel is referred to as an archangel. In *The Masque of Angels*, a one-act opera produced in February 1966 at St. George's Church in New York, Jeremiel was cast as a principality.

Jerescue (Jeruscue)—a Wednesday angel, residing in the 3rd Heaven; he is invoked from the west—according to de Abano, *The Heptameron*; but, according to Barrett, *The Magus II*, Jerescue is a resident of the 2nd Heaven (which may make a difference as to the direction from which he is to be invoked).

Jesodoth—in rabbinic tradition, an angel who receives wisdom and knowledge direct from God for transmission to man. He is 10th in the hierarchy

of the elohim. [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 238.] Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, speaks of Jesodoth receiving beneficence from the 10th of the divine essences, elohim.

Jesubilin—according to the *Grimorium Verum*, a "holy angel of God" invoked in gnostic rites. The name is a variant form of Serabilin.

Jesus—regarded by Philo, Justin Martyr, and early Christian writers as "a leading angel" or archangel; also identified as the Logos or Word, and as such is said to have been one of the 3 angels that visited Abraham under the oak of Mamre. [Rf. Conybeare, *Myth, Magic, and Morals*, p. 226.]

Jetrel—one of 200 fallen angels in the *Enoch* listings.

Jeu—in gnostic lore, specifically in *Pistis Sophia*, Jeu is a great angel, "overseer of light, arranger of the Cosmos." He is one of the 3 great powers on high, occupying the place on God's right, with Propator on God's left. [Rf. works of Valentinus.]

Jevanael (Jareahel)—in Mosaic lore, one of the 7 princes that stand continually before God and to whom are given the spirit-names of the planets. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy III*.]

Jibril (Jabriel, Jabil, Jibra'il, Jabriyel, Abrucl)—the name of Gabriel in Koranic Scripture. As Jibra'il in Arabic rites of exorcism, he is regarded as a guardian angel. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."] In Persian lore, Jibril is Bahram, "the mightiest of all the angels"; also "Serosh, the message-bringer." [Rf. *The Dabistan*, pp. 127, 379.]

Jinn—in Moslem theology, the jinn were created 2,000 years before Adam. They were originally of a high estate, equal to the angels, with Eblis chief among them. When, on the creation of Adam, Eblis refused to worship the earthling, Eblis was degraded and cast out of Heaven along with the jinn, who thenceforth became demons. Five sons of Eblis (*q.v.*) were among the evil jinn. In Hughes, *A Dictionary of*



Angels bewailing the death of Jesus, a detail from a fresco by Giotto in the Arena Chapel, Padua. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Islam. “Genii,” we find the following quotation: “The most noble and honorable among the angels are called the Ginn, because they are veiled from the eyes of the other angels on account of their superiority.”

Jinniyeh (fem. for jinn).

Joel (Jael, Jehoel, Yahoel, Jah-el, etc.)—in *The Book of Adam and Eve*, a pseudepigraphic work, Joel is the archangel who allotted our first parents a 7th part of the earthly paradise. Joel is also credited with being the angel who bade Adam name all things, an incident related in Genesis 2:19–20 (where it is God Himself who appoints Adam to the task). Joel (or Yahoel) is the 1st of Metatron’s names. In Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, the female demon Onoskelis, on being

interrogated by Solomon, declared she was subject to Joel.

Jofiel [Iofiel]

Johiel—angel of Paradise, although Shamshiel, Zephon, Zotiel, Michael, and Gabriel, among others, have been called angels of Paradise. There are actually two paradises, the one heavenly, the other earthly (Eden).

John the Baptist—the “forerunner angel,” as in Exodus 23:20; Malachi 3:1; Matthew 11:10. “Behold, I send an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way and to bring thee into the place I have prepared.” In *The Zohar* (Vayehi, 232a), Rabbi Judah declared: “This angel, this deliverer of the world, is sometimes male, sometimes female.

When he procures blessings for the world, he is male, resembling the male who provides blessings for the female. But when he comes to bring chastisement on the world, he is female, being, as it were, pregnant with the judgment." [See Metatron; Shekinah; Helias the Prophet.] In the Coptic *Book of John the Evangelist*, Jesus speaks of "Helias the prophet" (meaning John the Baptist) and refers to the latter as an angel sent by Satan (sic) to baptize with water. [Rf. James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 191.] "In the icons of the Eastern Church he (John the Baptist) is always depicted with wings, to indicate his office as messenger [i.e., angel] sent before the face of Christ"—from Gales, "The Christian Lore of Angels."

Jomiael [Jomjael]

Jomjael (Yomyael, "day of God")—one of the fallen angels cast out of Heaven, along with Semyaza, Satan, etc. [Rf. *Enoch I.*]

Jophiel [Iofiel]

Jorkemo [Yurkemi]

Josata (Josta)—an angel invoked in Solomonic magic rites in the Uriel conjuration. Josata is one of the 4 magical words or names spoken by God ("with his mouth, to his servant Moses"), the

other 3 names being Ablati, Abla, and Caila. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum.*]

Josephel [Asfa'el]

Joth—a secret name of God which "Jacob learned from the angel in the night of his wrestling, and by which he was delivered from the hands of his brother Esau." [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts.*]

Joustriel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 6th hour of the day, serving under Samil.

Jove—a fallen angel in *Paradise Lost* I, 512. Milton derived him from Greek mythology, where he is Zeus, lord of heaven; or from Roman mythology, where he is Jupiter or Jove.

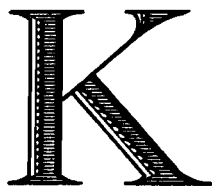
Jukar—"a prince over all the angels and all the Caesars," according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Junier—an ex-prince of the order of angels. [Rf. Garinet, *The History of Magic in France*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* III, p. 459.]

Jusguarin—a ruling angel of the 10th hour of the night. Jusguarin has 10 chief angelic officers under him, as well as 100 lesser officers. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 70.]



Uriel descending from heaven on a sunbeam to join Gabriel, Ithuriel, and Zephon in the Garden of Eden, where they come upon Adam and Eve in embrace (lower right) and Satan in the form of a toad "squat at the ear of Eve." From *Paradise Lost*. London: Richard Bently, 1688.



Kabchiel—an angel in Mandaean religious lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Kabiri—there are 7 kabiri; in Phoenician mythology, they are the creators of the world. They may be compared to the 7 angels of the presence in gnostic and rabbinic lore.

Kabniel—in the cabala, an angel invoked to cure stupidity. [Rf. Moses Botarel, *Mayan Hahochmah*.]

Kabriel [Cabriel]

Kabshiel—in Jewish mysticism, an angel who, when conjured up and agreeable to the invocant, confers grace and power. The name "Kabshiel" is found engraved on amulets. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Kadal—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

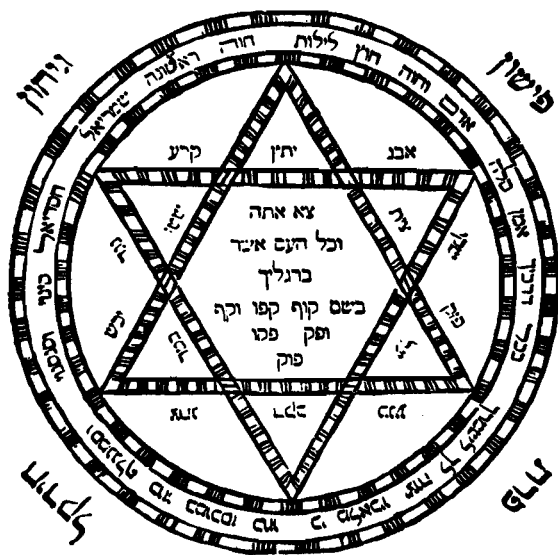
Kadashiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 3, 7.]

Kadashim [Kadishim]

Kadi(el)—a Friday angel serving in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the west. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II; de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Kadir-Rahman ("power of mercy")—one of the 7 archangels in Yezidic devil-worship, invoked in prayer. For the names of all 7 of these "powers of mercy," see Appendix.

Kadishim (Kadashim or Qaddisin—"holy ones")—angels of a rank higher than the Merkabah angels, and resident in the 6th or 7th Heaven. They praise God in unceasing hymns of adoration. With the irin (*q.v.*), they constitute the angelic *beth din*, i.e., seat of judgment. The chief of the order "was made of hail, and he was so tall, it would take 500 years to walk a distance to his height," according to rabbinic legend. Moses encountered these angels in the company of the irin during the Law-giver's visit to Paradise. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 308.]



Amulet from *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. Outside the concentric circles are the names of the four rivers of paradise; within is the hexagram (shield of Solomon) with groups of three letters. Between the circles are the names of Adam, Eve, Lilith, Khasdiel, Senoi, Sansenoi, Samangeloph, and the words "He hath given his angels charge concerning thee, that they may keep thee in all thy ways."

Kadkadael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Kadmiel ("before God")—one of the 70 angels to be invoked at the time of childbirth, as recommended in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.

Kadosh—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Kadriel—in *The Zohar* (Balak 201b), one of 3 "mouths" created by God at the start of Creation. Another "mouth" created at the same time was (or is) the angel Yahadriel. The term very likely denotes the voice of prophecy. And in this connection, the "start of Creation" would mean the eve of the first Sabbath.

Kafkefoni—one of the 7 enduring unholy

sefiroth. Kafkefoni is king of the *mazzikin* and husband of the "little leprous one." [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 174.]

Kafziel (Cassiel, "speed of God")—the angel governing the death of kings. In geonic tradition, one of the 7 archangels with dominion over the planet Saturn. As Qaphsiel, a variant spelling, he is controller of the moon. [Rf. *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.] In *The Zohar* (Numbers 155a) Kafziel serves with Hizkiel as chief aide to Gabriel when the latter bears his standard in battle.

Kahaviel [Dahaviel]

Kakabel (Kochbiel, Kokbiel, Kabaiel, Kochab—"star of God")—a great angelic prince who exercises dominion over the stars and constellations. In *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, Kakabel is a high, holy angel; but in apocryphal lore generally, as in *Enoch I*, he is evil (a fallen angel) and a resident of the nether realms. Whether in Heaven or in Hell, Kakabel commands 365,000 surrogate spirits who do his bidding. Among other duties he instructs his fellows in astrology. [See Rathiel.]

Kal—the guardian angel of Nebuchadnezzar. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI, 424.]

Kalka'il—in Islamic tradition, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."] Also, an angel in the 5th Heaven in charge of a group of angels in the guise of houris (black-eyed celestial nymphs) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Kalkelmiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Kalki Avatar—the 10th of the 10 avatars in Vedic lore. [See Avatar.]

Kalkydri [Chalkydri]

Kalmiya—one of the 7 angelic princes of power, guards of the veil or curtain of the 7th Heaven. The other 6 angels are usually given as Boel, Asimor, Psachar (Paschar), Gabriel, Sandalphon, and Uzziel. [Rf. Margouliath, *Malache Elyon*, p. 17; *Ozar Midrashim I*, p. 110.]

Kamuel [Camael]

Kandile—one of the 9 holy angels invoked by cabalists, according to *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Kaniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For the names of all 70, see Appendix.

Kaphkaphiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Karkiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Karmiel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Karniel—an angelic guard of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Karoz—in rabbinic lore, the Karoz are "reporter angels." [Rf. *The Thanksgiving Hymns*.]

Kartion—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Kasbak (Baskabas)—a secret name of the angel Metatron. [Rf. *The Vision of Ezekiel*.]

Kasbeel (Kazbiel, Kaspiel—"sorcery")—a "sinful" angel, referred to as "chief of the oath," whose original name was Biqa, meaning "good person." [Cf. Akae.] But Kasbeel fell, and after his fall he was renamed Kazbiel, meaning "he who lies to God." He once asked Michael for the hidden name of the Lord, which Michael of course refused to divulge. For the story, see *Enoch I*, 69:13. For comment, see Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 264.

Kasdaye (Kesdeya, Kasdeja)—a fallen angel who teaches "a variety of demonic practices, including abortion." Kasdaye is one of 7 angels reputed to have led the apostate angels, according to *The Book of Enoch* (*Enoch I*), p. 69.

Kashiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Kashriel (Tophnar)—one of the 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven, serving (or identified with) Zevudiel. [Rf. *Hechaloth Rabbati*.]

Kaspiel [Kasbeel]

Katchiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Katzfiel—an angelic prince of the Sword, and guard of the 6th Heaven. It is said that Katzfiel's sword emits lightning. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim I*, p. 118.]

Katzmiel—one of the angelic guards stationed in the 6th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Kautel [Ketuel]

Kavod—in chasidic lore, a term meaning the glory of God, i.e., that aspect of the godhead which God reveals to man. Identical with the demiurge, holy spirit, the "great radiance called Shekinah." Kavod also is a term to describe "the cherub on the throne of God." [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*, p. 110ff.]

Kavzakiel—one of the angel-princes of the Sword, as listed in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Kawkabel [Kakabel]

Kazbiel [Kasbeel]

Kazpiel [Kasbeel]

Kazviel—an angelic guard of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim I*, 116.]

Kedemel—in talismanic magic, the spirit of the planet Venus. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 147.]

Keel ("like God")—angel of a season; one of the "leaders of heads of thousands," as cited in *Enoch I*.

Kelail—in Islamic traditional lore, the governor of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. Clayton, *Angelology*.]

Keliel—one of the 72 angels of the 72 quaternaries of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Kelkhea and **Kelkheak**—as described in the *Paraphrase of Shem*, Kelkhea and Kelkheak are 2

mysterious entities (angels) to whom the secrets of Creation were revealed.

Kemos [Kimos]

Kemuel (Shemuel, Camael, Seraphiel—"helper" or "assembly of God")—the great archon who stands at the windows of Heaven as mediator between the prayers of Israel and the princes of the 7th Heaven. Kemuel is chief of seraphim and one of the 10 holy sefiroth. Legend tells of Moses destroying Kemuel (Camael) when this great hierarch tried to prevent the Lawgiver from receiving the Torah at the hand of God. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.] Kemuel, according to the *Revelation of Moses*, is (or was) leader of the 12,000 angels of destruction.

Kenunit—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Kered—an angel of the Seal in Mosaic magical conjurations.

Kerkoutha—in the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, an angel with rulership over the south.

Kerubiel—eponymous head of the order of cherubim. According to 3 *Enoch* Kerubiel's body is "full of burning coals . . . there is a crown of holiness on his head . . . and the bow of the Shekinah is between his shoulders."

Ketheriel ("crown of God")—an angel of the sefiroth invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.] [See Akatriel.]

Ketuel (Kautel)—one of the 3 angels constituting the Triune God, the other 2 angels being Meachuel and Lebatei. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Keveqel—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac, as cited in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.

Kezef—in Jewish legend, an angel of death and one of the 5 angels of destruction (along with Af, Hemah, Mashhit, and Haron-Peor). Kezef fought against Moses in Horeb; and it was Kezef, as the angel of death, whom Aaron seized and imprisoned in the Holy Tabernacle. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 306.] In the *Midrash Tehillim*, Kezef is the angel of wrath.

Kfial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Khabiel—one of the supervising guards of the 1st Heaven. He is named in the *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Khamael [Camael]

Kharael—in *The Testament of Solomon*, an angel who, when his name is pronounced, is able to exorcise the demon Belbel, as Belbel himself concedes. [Rf. *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 203.]

Kharura'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Khasdiel—the name of an angel inscribed on a Hebrew amulet, and pictured in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. Khasdiel appears here along with the names of the angels Senoi, Sansenoi, and Samangeloph, as well as the names of Adam, Eve, and Lilith. See Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 227; reproduction on p. 164.

Khurdad—the angel of May in ancient Persian lore. Khurdad also governed the 6th day of the month. He is one of the amesha spentas, and is prayed to at the 56th gate of Paradise as an intercessor. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 164.]

Kidumiel—one of 70 childbed amulet angels. *The Book of the Angel Raziel* contains the names of all 70 of these spirits invoked to protect the newborn child and its mother against calamity and disease.

Kimos (Kemos)—a secret name for Michael or Metatron, as vouched for in *The Visions of Ezekiel*. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.]

Kinor—one of 3 angels stationed at the upper gates of Hell.

Kipod—an angel like Kinor (*q.v.*). The other 2 angels are given as Nagrasagiel (or Nasragiel) and Nairyo Sangha, the latter a messenger of Ahura Mazda. It was Kipod who conducted Rabbi Joshua to the gates of Hell and showed him the compartments into which the underworld is



"Angels Transporting St. Paul to Heaven" by Poussin. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

divided. [Rf. *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua ben Levi; Midrash Konen.*]

Kiramu 'l-katibin—the name of 2 recording angels in Arabic lore. [See Recording Angel.]

Kirtabus—genius of languages and one of the genii of the 9th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron.*]

Kisael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Kitreal (Kitriel)—a form of Akatriel (q.v.). [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie.*]

Klaha—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Kmiel—in Jewish mysticism, an angel of the summer equinox, effective as an amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition.*]

Kokabiel [Kakabel]

Kokaviel—the name of an angel found inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Mercury.

Kokhabriel [Kakabel]

Kolazonta (Greek, "the chastiser")—the destroying angel who figures in the Aaron incident related in Reider, *The Book of Wisdom*, 18:22. Kolazonta is the "personification of the destroying spirit" who in IV Maccabees 7:11 is called an angel.

Komm—mentioned in the *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua ben Levi*. Komm is the angel who refused, when summoned, to give Rabbi Joshua a description of Hell. [Rf. M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts of Folklore.*]

Korniel—one of numerous angelic guards of the South Wind. Named in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Korshid—a Mandaean—also a Mazdean—archspirit, comparable to Metatron in Jewish cabala. [Rf. de Mirville, *Pneumatologie.*]

Kotecha—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* an angel of the Seal, conjured in ceremonial magic.

Koustiel—an angel's name found engraved on a carnelian in the British Museum (56013). "May be a blunder for Uriel," says Bonner, in *Studies in Magical Amulets*, p. 170.

Krishna [Krisn Avatar]

Krisn Avatar (Krishna)—8th of the 10 avatars in Vedic lore. [See Avatar.]

Kshathra Vairya—one of the 6 amesha spentas (q.v.).

Kshiel [Kushiel]

Kso'ppghiel—a leader of the angels of fury, one of the *nomina barbara* listed in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. [Cf. Angels of ire.]

Kunospaston—in occultism, the demon of the sea. [Cf. Rahab.] He is a hoar-fish and delights in destroying ships. He is also greedy for gold. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon.*]

Kuriel [Kyriel]

Kurmavatar—the "tortoise avatar," one of 10.

Kurzi [Angel of the Footstool]

Kushiel ("rigid one of God")—one of 7 angels of punishment and a "presiding angel of Hell." According to *Midrash Konen*, Kushiel "punishes the nations with a whip of fire." [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593; Jellinek, *Beth ha-Midrash.*]

Kutiel—an angel invoked in connection with the use of divining rods. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition.*]

Kyniel—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

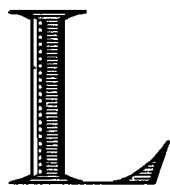
Kyriel (Kuriel)—one of 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.] As Kuriel, he is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Kyriotates—in his *Karmic Relationships*, Rudolf Steiner speaks of 3 celestial hierarchies, the kyriotates being an order of the 2nd. The triad here consists of exusiai (virtues or authorities), kyriotates (dominations?) and dynamis (powers).

Kzuiel—an angelic guard stationed in the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth.*]



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Labarfiel—one of the angelic guards of the 7th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 119.]

Labbiel—original name of the angel Raphael. The name was changed when, according to Jewish legend, Labbiel complied with God's command concerning the creation of man. It should be noted here that 2 groups of angels (the angels of truth and the angels of peace), not complying with the divine command, were burned. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 52ff.]

Labezerin—in talismanic magic, the genius (spirit) of success. Labezerin serves in the 2nd hour of the day. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Labusi—one of the 5 angels of omnipotence, the other 4 being Tubatlu, Bualu, Tulatu, Ublisi. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 85.]

Lad (Hebrew, “tender age”)—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Lahabiel—an angel who assists Raphael in the rulership of the 1st day (Samael ruling the 3rd day and Anael the 6th). Along with Phaniel, Rahabiel,

Ariel, and others, Lahabiel used to be invoked as an amulet against evil spirits (and perhaps still is), as indicated in a late Hebrew charm. [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 161.]

Lahariel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. Lahariel assists Michael in the rulership of the 2nd day. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*; M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*, pp. 338ff.]

Lahash—in rabbinic lore, a great angel who, with the aid of Zakun, led 184 myriads of spirits to snatch away the prayer of Moses before it could reach God. For this attempt at interference with the divine will, the 2 angels were punished with “60 blows [lashes] of fire.” [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 434.] Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 138, cites another form of the same legend wherein it is Sammael who metes out the punishment on Lahash by “binding him with fiery chains, flogging him with 70 stripes of fire, and expelling him from the divine presence.”

Lahatiel (“the flaming one”)—one of the 7 angels of punishment, as listed in *Maseket Gan*

Eden and Gehinnom. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593.] In the writings of the cabalist Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla, Lahatiel is the presiding angel of the gates of death, which is the designation for the 2nd lodge of the 7 lodges in which Hell (arka) is divided. According to the *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua ben Levi*, Lahatiel is one of the angels in Hell who punishes nations "for cause." [Rf. M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts in Folklore*.]

Laila(h) (Leliel, Lailahel, Layla)—the name is said to derive from a rabbinic exegesis of the word "lailah" (meaning night) in Job 3:3. According to *The Zohar* (Exodus) Lailah is "an angel appointed to guard the spirits at their birth." In Jewish legendary lore, Lailah is a demonic angel of night, the "prince of conception," to be compared with Lilith, demoness of conception. However, in *Genesis Rabba* 417 and in *Sanhedrin* 96a [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 588] the story is that Lailah fought for Abraham when the patriarch battled kings—which would make Lailah a good, rather than a wicked, angel.

Lama—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, Lama (or La Ma) is an angel of the air, ruler of Tuesday, and a resident of the 5th Heaven. He is invoked from the west.

Lamach—an angel who exercises dominion over the planet Mars. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, p. 215.]

Lamas (see Nirgal)—one of the 4 principal

Lamenting angel, from an ancient Greek pietà. Reproduced from Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna*.



classes of protecting genii in Chaldean lore, usually represented with the body of a lion and the head of a man. Cf. cherubim. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 121.]

Lamassu—in Assyrian lore, a kindly spirit appealed to at the end of invocations for the exorcism of evil spirits. [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 45.] According to Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 156, Lamassu is a Babylonian spirit.

Lamechalal (Lamechiel)—a planetary ruler cited in *3 Enoch* (Hebrew Enoch). Lamechalal was the only angel who, as the reader is assured in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, could overcome the female demon called Deceit.

Lamechiel [Lamechalal]

Lameck (Lamideck)—a pure angel, invoked in black-magic rites, specifically in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Lamediel—an angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Lamedk—an angel like Lameck (but not to be confused with him) who is invoked in the conjuration of the Sword.

Lamideck [Lameck]

Larzod—one of the "glorious and benevolent angels" invoked in Solomonian conjuring rites for imparting to the invocant some of the secret wisdom of the Creator. [Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Lauday—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt, as cited in the *Grimorium Verum*.

Lau(v)iah—in the cabala, an angel of the order of thrones; also of the order of cherubim. More correctly, he formerly belonged to these orders. Lauviah influences savants and great personages. For his sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, pp. 260, 267.

Láwidh—in Islamic apocalyptic lore, a "chief of angels." The sufi Abu Yazid in his *mir'aj*

(ascent) to the 7 Heavens comes upon Lâwidth in the 2nd Heaven and is there offered "a kingdom such as no tongue can describe," but Abu Yazid resists the offer (actually a bribe), knowing it to be only a test of his single-minded devotion to God. [Rf. Nicholson, "An Early Arabic Version," etc.]

Layla [Lailah]

Lazai (Lazay)—a "holy angel of God" invoked in the exorcism of fire. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Lebes—one of the chief angels of the 1st chora or altitude. [Rf. *The Almadel of Solomon*.] When invoked, Lebes appears carrying a banner with a red cross on it. Of the 1st altitude there are 5 chief rulers or governors, the other 4 (apart from Lebes) being Alimiel, Barachiel, Gabriel, and Hel(l)ison.

Lecabel—an angel in control of vegetation and agriculture, and one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [For Lecabel's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 273; Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Lecahel—an angel belonging to the order of dominations (dominions). [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 88.]

Ledrión—an angel invoked in the exorcism of spirits through application of incense and fumigations. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Lehachel—one of the rulers of the 72 quinarities of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Lelahel—one of the 8 seraphim in the cabala. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 88.]

Lehahiah—once of the order of powers (potentates), Lehahiah protects crowned heads and makes subjects obedient to their superiors. He is (or was, depending on his current status as a holy or evil angel) one of the 72 hierarchs bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [For Lehahiah's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 273.]

Lehavah—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Lelahel—an angel of the zodiac exercising dominion over love, art, science, and fortune. His corresponding angel, in cabalistic lore, is Asentacer. [For Lelahel's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.]

Lehahiah—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Leliel—one of the angelic rulers of the night. [See Lailah.]

Lemanael—in the cabala, the spirit of the moon. His corresponding angel is Elimiel (q.v.). [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 26.]

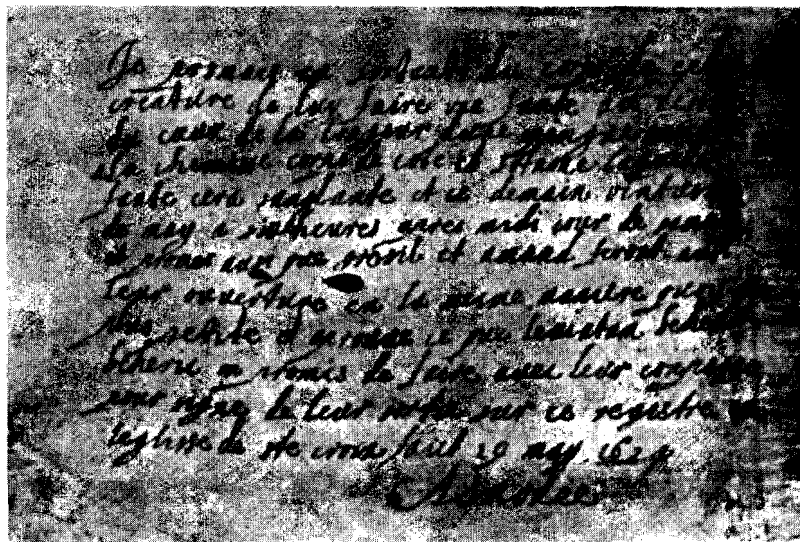
Lepha—an angel of the Seal. Lepha is cited in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses* as one of the invocation spirits in special conjuring rites.

Leuuiah (Leviah)—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Levanael (Iarachel)—the spirit of the Moon, according to Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.

Leviah [Leuuiah]

Leviathan (Hebrew, "that which gathers itself together in folds")—in the Enoch parables, Leviathan is the primitive female sea-dragon and monster of evil; in rabbinic writings, she (or he) is identified with Rahab, angel of the primordial deep, and associated with Behemoth (q.v.). Both Leviathan and Behemoth are said to have been created on the 5th day (see *Greek Apocalypse of Baruch*). In the system of Justinus, Leviathan is "a bad angel." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 46; *The Apocalypse of Abraham* 10.] In the view of George Barton in the *Journal of Biblical Literature* (December 1912), p. 161, Leviathan is "a Hebrew name for the Babylonian Tiamat." In Biblical lore (Job 41:1) Leviathan is the great whale. In Psalm 74:14 he is the hippopotamus or crocodile, or is so intended. [Cf. Isaiah 27:1 where Leviathan is called "that crooked serpent," an epithet which recalls Revelation 12:9, where Satan is dubbed "that old serpent."] In Mandaeen lore, the final end for all but the purified souls is to be swallowed up by Leviathan.



Signature of the demon Asmodee (Asmodeus) to a deed dated May 29, 1629, and executed in the Church of the Holy Cross, in which Asmodee attests to quitting the body of a possessed nun. The deed mentions other demons: Gresil, Amand, Beheria, Leviatam (sic), etc. From De Givry, *Picture Museum of Sorcery, Magic and Alchemy*.

Libanel—the angelic guide of Philip, according to Klopstock, *The Messiah*.

Liberating Angel—the Shekinah (q.v.) who “delivers the world in all ages” has been referred to as the Liberating Angel. She is always close to man and “never separated from the just.” The Exodus 23:20 passage (“Behold I send an angel before thee”) has been applied to the Liberating Angel, although it is more commonly applied to John the Baptist. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 344.]

Librabis—genius of hidden gold and one of the genii of the 7th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Lifton—in hechaloth lore (Ma’asseh Merkabah), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Lights—angels, luminaries. [Rf. *The Sacred Book of the Great Invisible Spirit* (one of the finds at Nag-Hammadi) and Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*, p. 44.]

Lilith—in Jewish tradition, where she originated, Lilith is a female demon, enemy of infants, bride of the evil angel Sammael (Satan). She predated Eve, had marital relations with Adam, and must thus be regarded as our first parent’s 1st wife. According to Rabbi Eliezer (*The Book of Adam and Eve*), Lilith bore Adam every day 100 children. *The Zohar* (Leviticus 19a) describes Lilith as “a hot fiery female who at first cohabited with man” but, when Eve was created, “flew to the cities of the sea coast,” where she is “still trying to ensnare mankind.” She has been identified (incorrectly) with the screech owl in Isaiah 34:14. In the cabala she is the demon of Friday and is represented as a naked woman whose body terminates in a serpent’s tail. While commonly regarded as the creation of the rabbis of the early Middle Ages (the first traceable mention of Lilith occurs in a 10th-century folktale called the *Alphabet of Ben Sira*), Lilith is in fact drawn from the *lili*, female demonic spirits in Mesopotamian demonology, and known as *ardat lili*. The rabbis read Lilith into Scripture as the 1st temptress, as Adam’s demon wife, and as the mother of Cain. [Rf. Thompson,

Semitic Magic; Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic*.] In Talmudic lore, as also in the cabala (*The Zohar*), most demons are mortal, but Lilith and two other notorious female spirits of evil (Naamah and Agrat bat Mahlat) will "continue to exist and plague man until the Messianic day, when God will finally extirpate uncleanness and evil from the face of the earth." In Scholem's article on one of the medieval writers in the magazine *Mada'e ha Yahadut* (II, 164ff.), Lilith and Sammael are said to have "emanated from beneath the throne of Divine Glory, the legs of which were somewhat shaken by their [joint] activity." It is known, of course, that Sammael (Satan) was once a familiar figure in Heaven, but not that Lilith was up there also, assisting him. Lilith went by a score of names, 17 of which she revealed to Elijah when she was forced to do so by the Old Testament prophet. For a list of Lilith's names, see Appendix.

Lithargoel—a great angel whose name appears in the Coptic *The Investiture of the Archangel Gabriel*; also in the *Acts of Peter*. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, pp. 235-236.]

Little Iao—one of the many names of the angel Metatron. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Liwet—in Mandaean lore, the angel of love and invention; also one of the 7 planetary spirits. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*.]

Lobkir—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Lobquin—one of the angels of the 5th Heaven ruling on Tuesday in the west. Lobquin is subject to the East Wind. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Loel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Logoi—a designation for angels by Philo in his "On Dreams." It is also the plural form for Logos, the "Word" (or Reason). [Rf. Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.]

Logos (Greek, the "Word")—according to

Philo, Logos is "the angel that appeared to Hagar, the cloud at the Red Sea, one of the 3 angels that appeared to Abraham (at Mamre, as Justin Martyr also taught), the divine form that changed the name of Jacob to Israel at Peniel." In rabbinic mysticism, Metatron is the personified Logos. Michael and the Messiah have also been identified with the concept, as has the Holy Ghost. [Rf. Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.] Philo calls Logos (reason) "the image of God, His Angel"; also, "the Oldest Angel, who is as though it were the Angel-chief of many names; for he is called Dominion, and Name of God." [Rf. Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* I, pp. 161-162.]

Loquel—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Lords (or lordships)—a celestial order of angels mentioned, along with cherubim, powers, thrones, in the *Apocalypse of the Holy Mother of God* (in the *Ante-Nicene Fathers Library*) and in the *Arkangelike of Moses*. In *Enoch II* 20:1, lordships is given in lieu of dominions (Ephesians 1:21; I Colossians 1:16). Lords may also be equated with principalities and virtues. Clement of Alexandria quotes from the lost *Apocalypse of Zephaniah*: "And the spirit took me up and carried me into the fifth Heaven and I saw angels called Lords and their diadem was lying in the Holy Spirit, and for each of them there was a throne seven times as bright as the light of the sun." [Rf. Caird, *Principalities and Powers*; Doresse, *The Sacred Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Lord of Hosts—Sabaoth, Akatriel, God. On his return from a visit to Heaven, Rabbi Ismael ben Elisha reported: "I once entered into the innermost part [of the sanctuary] to offer incense, and saw Akathriel Jah, the Lord of Hosts, seated upon a high and exalted throne." [Rf. *Berakoth* 30 (Soncino Talmud).]

Lord of Lightning [Angel of Lightning]

Lords of Shouting—also called masters of howling (*q.v.*). The lords of shouting consist of 1,550 myriads of angels, "all singing glory to the Lord." They are led by the angel Jeduthun (*q.v.*). [Rf. Scholem, *The Zohar*.] It is said that, at dawn,

because of the chanting of the lords of shouting, "judgment is lightened and the world is blessed."

Lords of the Sword—the 14 conjuring angels as listed in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. They are Aziel, Arel, Ta'Aniel, Tafel, Yofiel, Mittron (Metatron), Yadiel, Ra'asiel (Raziel), Haniel (Anael), Asrael (later repeated), Yisriel, A'shael, Amuhael, Asrael. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*, p. 41.]

Lord Zebaot—in Jewish legendary lore, the lord of hosts; it is the name that God went by when he battled sinners. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]

Los (Lucifer?)—the agent of divine providence, "the laborer of ages." Since his fall (he is one of the fallen angels), he has spent 6,000 years trying to give form to the world: "I am that shadowy Prophet who, 6,000 years ago/Fell from my station in the Eternal bosom." [Rf. Blake, *Vala (The Four Zoas)* and *Jerusalem*.]

Lucifer ("light giver")—erroneously equated with the fallen angel (Satan) due to a misreading of Isaiah 14:12: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning," an apostrophe which applied to Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon (but see under Satan). It should be pointed out that the authors of the books of the Old Testament knew nothing of fallen or evil angels, and do not mention them, although, at times, as in Job 4:18, the Lord "put no trust" in his angels and "charged them with folly," which

would indicate that angels were not all that they should be. The name Lucifer was applied to Satan by St. Jerome and other Church Fathers. Milton in *Paradise Lost* applied the name to the demon of sinful pride. Lucifer is the title and principal character of the epic poem by the Dutch Shakespeare, Vondel (who uses Lucifer in lieu of Satan), and a principal character in the mystery play by Imre Madach, *The Tragedy of Man*. Blake pictured Lucifer in his illustrations to Dante. George Meredith's sonnet "Lucifer in Starlight" addresses the "fiend" as Prince Lucifer. Actually, Lucifer connotes star, and applies (or originally meant to apply) to the morning or evening star (Venus). To Spenser in "An Hymne of Heavenly Love," Lucifer is "the brightest angel, even the Child of Light."

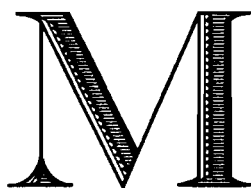
Luel—in 15th-century Jewish magical lore, an angel invoked in connection with the use of divining rods. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 225.]

Luma'il—in Arabic lore a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Lumazi—in Assyrian cosmology there were 7 lumazi, creators of the universe. They may be compared with the 7 (otherwise 12) angels of the presence (rabbinic), the 7 prajapati (Hindu), and the Middoth (of which, however, there were only 2) in Talmudic writings.



Michael. A terracotta lunette (c. 1475) by Andrea della Robbia. From *The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin*, December 1961.



Maadim—one of 2 big stars (i.e., angels) that Metatron pointed out to Moses in the 4th Heaven. Maadim “stands near the moon in order to warm the world from the cold,” according to the *Revelation of Moses*.

Mach—an angel called up in Solomonian conjuring rites for rendering the invocant invisible.

Machal—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Machasiel—in both Barrett, *The Magus II*, and de Abano, *The Heptameron*, one of the angels invoked from the south. He resides in the 4th Heaven and rules on Lord’s Day. He is listed among the intelligences of the sun. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Machatan (Machator, Macoton)—a Saturday angel and one of the powers of the spirits of the air, sharing rulership with Uriel, Cassiel, and Seraquiel, according to Barrett, *The Magus*; *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*; and other occult sources.

Machidiel (“fulness of God”—Malchidiel, Malahidael, Malchedael, Melkeial, Melkejal, etc.)

—governing angel of the month of March; also ruler of the zodiacal sign of Aries. [Rf. Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, p. 67.] In *Enoch I* Machidiel is called Melkejal: he “rises and rules in the beginning of the year” and exercises dominion “for 91 days, from spring to summer.” In cabalistic writings, Machidiel (as Melchulael) is one of 4 angelic personifications of the holy sefira Malkut, the other 3 personifications being Sandalphon, Messiah, and Emmanuel. In grimoire conjurations, Prince Machidiel (as he is referred to) may be commanded to send the invocant the maiden of his desire; and if the invocant will fix the time and place, “the maiden invoked will not fail to appear.”

Mach(k)iel—one of the angelic guards of the 6th Heaven, according to listing in *Pirke Hechaloth*. Machiel’s pentacle is shown in Shah, *Occultism*, p. 77.

Machmay—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion.

Machnia (Machniel)—one of the 70 childbed

amulet angels. As Machniel he is an angelic guard of the gates of the South Wind, according to listing in *Ozar Midrashim*.

Macoton [Machatan]

Macroprosopus—in the cabala, the 1st of the holy sefiroth; he is the “God of concealed form.” [Cf. *Macroprosopus*.]

Madagabiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Madan—an angel that exercises dominion over the planet Mercury, as cited in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.

Madiel—in occult lore, a governing archangel of the watery triplicity. He is a resident of the 1st Heaven and is invoked from the east. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Waite, *The Lemegeton*.] Madiel is the angel in Prokofieff’s opera *L’Ange de feu*. [See Angel of Fire.]

Madimiel (Madiniel, Madamiel)—one of 4 angels’ names found inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet Mars, the other 3 being Ithuriel, Bartzachiah, and Eschiel. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] In Mosaic lore, Madimiel is one of 7 princes “who stand continually before God and to whom are given the spirit-names of the planets.” [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Mador—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Madriel—an angel of the 9th hour of the day, serving under Vadriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Mael—in occult lore, a ruling archangel of the water triplicity (cf. Madiel). He is also one of the intelligences of the planet Saturn. As a Monday angel of the 1st Heaven, he may be invoked from the north.

Magog [Gog and Magog]

Magirkon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Maguth—an angel of the air operating on Thursday. Maguth is a minister to Suth, chief of the air angels, all of whom are, in turn, subject to the South Wind. [Rf. *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Mah—in ancient Persian lore, the angel overseer of the mutations of the moon. [Rf. Clayton, *Angelology*.]

Mahadeo (Mahesh)—in Vedic lore, Mahadeo (Siva) is one of 11 angels “with matted locks and 3 eyes” that represent symbolically the sun, moon, and fire. Mahadeo also has (or had) 5 heads. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 189.]

Mahalel and **Mahalkiel**—angels’ names found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Mahanaim (“double host”)—when Jacob departed from Haran, he was accompanied by a double host (“Mahanaim”) of angels, each host numbering 600,000. The incident is told in Genesis 32. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 377.]

Mahananel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind, as listed in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Mahariel (“swift”)—an angel of Paradise stationed at the 1st portal; he provides new souls for the purified ones. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 85.]

Mahashel—in the cabala, one of 72 angels ruling the 72 quinaries of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Mahasiah—one of 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Mahish (Mahash)—in the *Bhagavad Gita*, a mighty angel who, with Brahma and Vishna, sprang from one of the primary properties. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 178.]

Mahka’il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, “Angels.”]

Mahniel (“mighty camp”)—another name for “Azriel the Ancient.” According to *The Zohar*

(Exodus 20:2a), Mahniel is an angel who commands "60 myriads of legions, all winged, some full of eyes, some full of ears."

Mahonin(m)—in the exorcism at Auch (1618), the devil, possessing a noblewoman, gave his name as "Mahonin of the 3rd hierarchy and the 2nd order of archangels," claiming further that his adversary in Heaven was "St. Mark the Evangelist." [Rf. Robbins, *The Encyclopedia of Witchcraft and Demonology*, pp. 128 and 185.]

Mahzeil—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khoubair*.]

Mahzian—in Mandaean lore, a spirit who bestows sight. [Rf. Drower, *Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans*.]

Maianiel—an angel serving in the 5th Heaven; he is named and listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Maion—an angel who exercises dominion over the planet Saturn, and is so described in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.

Maiphiaht—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Majesties—an order of angels mentioned by Tyndale and Cranmer, who give majesties in lieu of thrones. [Rf. *The Thanksgiving Hymns* V, where God is addressed as "prince of gods, king of majesties."] Vermes, *Discovery in the Judean Desert*, interprets the term as "probably some class of angels" and refers his readers to Jude 8.

Makatiel ("plague of God")—one of the 7 angels of punishment, as cited in *Maseket Gan Eden and Gehinnom*. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593; Jellinek, *Beth ha-Midrash*.]

Makiel—an angel invoked in Syriac incantation rites. Makiel is grouped with Michael, Gabriel, Harshiel, and other spellbinding angels. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Maktiel—an angel with dominion over trees.

The name is found in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. In the *Baraita de Massechet Gehinnom*, Maktiel (or Matniel) is one of the angels of punishment over 10 nations. He lodges in the 4th compartment of Hell.

Malach ha-Mavet—in rabbinic literature as in Koranic lore, the angel of death, identified usually as Sammael or Azrael.

Malach ha-Sopher—an aide to Duma, angel of the silence of death. With Malach Memune (q.v.), ha-Sopher computed the span of a man's life. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 92.]

Malachi or **Malachy** ("angel of God")—the angel of Jehovah. See Esdras 4, where we find: "Malachy, which is called also an angel of the Lord." [Rf. *Talmud Hagiga*.] The final book in the Old Testament is called Malachi.

Malach Memune ("the appointed one")—an aide to Duma. With Malach ha-Sopher he computed the span of a man's life.

Malach Ra—an angel of evil (in the causative sense), not necessarily himself evil. (Good angels, under orders from God, often perform missions or acts commonly regarded as unjust, wicked, etc.) [Cf. Angels of Destruction or Angels of Punishment.]

Malakim ("kings")—an order of angels equated with the virtues. The ruling prince is variously designated Piel, Uriel, Uzziel, Raphael.

Malaku 'l-Maut—in the Koran, *sura* 32, 11, the angel of death. He may be equated with or identified as Izrael or Azrael.

Malashiel—in Jewish cabala, the preceptor angel of Elijah. [Cf. Maltiel.]

Malbushiel (fictional, from "malbush," clothing)—in I. B. Singer's story "The Warehouse" (*Cavalier*, January 1966), 2nd cousin to the angel Bagdial. Malbushiel serves as quartermaster in one of the "lower heavens."

Malchedael [Machidiel]

Malchiel [Malkiel]

Malchira [Malkira]

Malik (Malec)—in Arabic mythology, a terrible angel who guards Hell. He is assisted by 19 sbires (zabaniya) or guardians. In the Koran, *sura* 43, 77, Malik tells the wicked who appeal to him that they must remain in Hell forever because "they abhorred the truth when the truth was brought to them." [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*; *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology"; Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 618.]

Malkiel (Malchiel—"God's king")—one of 3 angelic princes serving under Sephiron, who is last in rank of the 10 holy sefiroth. The other 2 princes are Ithuriel and Nashriël. In *Ozar Midrashim*, Malchiel is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind.

Malkira ("king of the wicked")—the surname for Sammael in *The Martyrdom of Isaiah*. [Rf. Box, introd. to Charles, *The Ascension of Isaiah*.]

Malkiyyah—an angel who "serves the blood." The name is found inscribed on amulets as a protection against hemorrhages; it is mentioned in an unpublished Hebrew manuscript referred to by Bonner, *Studies in Magical Amulets*. The name occurs also in Ezra 10:31 as Melchiah.

Malkuth (Melkout, Malchut)—the 10th sefira, the En Soph, the Shekinah, soul of the Messiah, or Metatron. According to *The Zohar*, Ezekiel saw Malkuth "under the God of Israel by the river Chebar." [Rf. Ezekiel 1:3, 15; 10:15.] Here the creatures sighted by the Old Testament prophet were the cherubim.

Malmeliyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Malthidrelis—in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, an angel who exercises dominion over the sign of Aries (the Ram) in the zodiac.

Maltiel—in the cabala, a Friday angel resident in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the west. He is also one of the intelligences of the planet Jupiter. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, Maltiel is the preceptor angel of Elijah (but see

Malashiel). In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Maltiel serves as one of the numerous guards of the West Wind.

Maluzim—a holy angel of God invoked in goetic rites. [Rf. *Verus Jesuitarum Libellus* and Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Mambe'a—a mighty angel whose name appears inscribed on a terra cotta devil trap (amulet) in Hebrew characters dated circa 1st-2nd centuries B.C.E. Mambe'a was invoked as a protective spirit (Babylonian) against sorceries. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 288.] A companion angel to Mambe'a was Babbne'a.

Mameroijud—in *The Pauline Art*, chief angel-officer of the 10th hour of the night, serving under Jusguarin. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 70.]

Mamiel—one of the chief angel-officers of the 7th hour of the day, serving under the ruler Barginiel.

Mamlaketi—in *3 Enoch* (Hebrew Book of Enoch), Mamlaketi is an angel whose other name is Uzza (q.v.).

***Mammon** (Aramaic, "riches")—in occult lore, a fallen angel now ruling in Hell as one of the arch-demons and prince of tempters. In De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, Mammon is certified as Hell's ambassador to England. He is equated with Lucifer, Satan, Beelzebub, and even with Nebuchadnezzar. Mammon is the demon of avarice. He "holds the throne of this world," as St. Francesca observed in one of her 93 visions. The medieval notion was that Mammon was a Syrian god. Gregory of Nyssa took Mammon to be a name for Beelzebub. Matthew 6:24 and Luke 16:13 speak of Mammon as a power hostile to God. He is pictured in Barrett, *The Magus*, and mentioned in *Paradise Lost* I, 678-681: "Mammon led them on/Mammon, the least erected Spirit that fell/from heav'n, e'en in heav'n his looks and thoughts were always Downward bent."

Manah—in Arabic lore, a goddess-angel of fertility. Her idol, the oldest known to the Arabs,

was destroyed on Mohammed's orders. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.]

Manakel (Menakel, Menaqel)—according to Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, an angel with dominion over aquatic animals. In Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, Menakel is one of the 72 angels of the zodiac.

Man Clothed in Linen—applied to Gabriel; the expression occurs several times in Ezekiel (9:10); also in Daniel (10 and 12). The man clothed in linen with a writer's inkhorn by his side is associated with the heavenly scribe, and this heavenly scribe has been identified as Enoch, Michael, and Vretil. [Rf. Charles, *The Book of Enoch*, p. 28; *The Zohar* (Exodus 231a).] In his *Critical Commentary on the Revelation of St. John*, p. 266, Charles asserts that the man clothed in linen is not to be identified with Gabriel or Michael, but should rather be identified as the nameless Angel of Peace (q.v.), the same Angel of Peace mentioned in the *Testament of Asher* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*).

Maneij—a chief officer-angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Maniel—an angel invoked in Syriac spell-binding charms. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Manna (Hebrew, "what is this?")—Justin thought manna was the regular food of angels. [Cf. Psalm 78:24: "they ate the food of angels" in the descent.] Elijah, as we know, was nourished during his 40 days in the wilderness (I Kings 19) by angel food fed to him by ravens. [Rf. Schneweiss, *Angels and Demons According to Lactantius*, p. 40.] Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, quotes Ibn Majah as holding that the food of angels consists in "the celebrating of God's glory"; and that the drink of angels is "the proclaiming of His holiness."

Man of Macedonia—in Acts 16:10 Paul has the vision of "the man of Macedonia" as an angel. Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*, refers to this vision of St. Paul's, and quotes Origen.

Mansemat—another name for Mastema (Satan) as used in *Acts of Philip*. [Rf. James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 440.]

Mantus—in Etruscan religion, one of the 9 Novensiles, supreme spirits worshipped by this ancient people.

Manu—in Assyro-Babylonian mythology, "Manu the Great" was a spirit who presided over fate. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Manuel—an angel governing the zodiacal sign of Cancer. Mentioned in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.

Many-Eyed Ones—the ofanim (wheels), a high order of angels equated with the thrones. Enoch speaks of the "ofanim of fiery coals." All patriarchs became angels of this order on arriving in Heaven, as claimed in rabbinic writings. [Rf. Talmud *Bereshith Rabba* 82:6.] Raphael is usually designated chief. Ezekiel 10:20 describes the living creatures at the river Chebar as "full of eyes round about" and speaks of the "fire that was between the cherubim." Accordingly, but perhaps incorrectly, the "many-eyed ones" have been equated with the cherubim. [Cf. *Enoch II*, 19-20, "the watchfulness of many eyes" as describing the fiery hosts of great archangels.]

Mara—the Satan of Buddhist mythology. Arnold in *The Light of Asia* (VI, 19) speaks of Mara's mighty ones, "Angels of evil," of whom, says Arnold, there were 10—"ten chief Sins."

Marax [Forfax]

Marchosias (Marchocias)—an angel who, before he fell, belonged to the order of dominations. In Hell, where he now serves, Marchosias is a mighty marquis. When invoked, he manifests in the form of a wolf or an ox, with griffin wings and serpent's tail, as he is pictured in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 ed.). He confided to Solomon that he "hopes to return to the 7th throne after 1,200 years." For the sigil of this spirit, see Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Facts*, p. 176.

Marfiel—an angel of the 4th hour of the day,

serving under Vachmiel, as noted in Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Margash—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Margesiel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Margiviel—prince of the face and one of the angelic guards of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 117.]

Mariel—in *The Book of Protection*, an angel who is conjured up in Syriac spellbinding charms. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Marifiel—a chief officer-angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Marioc(h) or **Mariuk**—in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, the angel who watched over the writings of Enoch. With another angel (Ariuk), Marioc was placed by God as guardian over the immediate descendants of Enoch to see to it that his books were preserved. [Rf. *Enoch II*, 33.]

Marmarao—a spirit invoked to overcome or cure bladder trouble caused by the demon Anoster (one of the 36 decani, demons of disease). [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, 224.]

Marmarath (Marmaraoth)—in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, Marmarath is one of the 7 planetary angels, and the only angel capable of overcoming the female jinn of war, Klothod.

Marniel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Marnuel—an angel mentioned in the writings of Rabbi Akiba. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*.]

Marnuthiel—an angel mentioned in the writings of Rabbi Akiba.

Maroch—Waite, *The Lemegeton*, cites Maroch as an angel of the 5th hour of the day, serving under Sazquiël.

Maron—a holy name (of a spirit or an angel) by which demons are commanded in Solomonic

conjurations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Maroth (Hebrew, "bitterness"—Maroot, Mar-out)—with another angel Haroth, Maroth was sent down by God "with full commission to exercise government over all mankind, and to tutor and instruct them." [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, p. 289.] Maroth is a character in Eastern lore (Persian) taken over by the Jews. The Koran also speaks of Maroth as an angel.

Marou—once a cherub, now a demon. In the trial of Urbain Grandier, Marou was cited as one of 6 demons who possessed the body of Elizabeth Blanchard. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*.]

Martyrs—according to Barrett, *The Magus*, the martyrs are 11th in the 12 orders of the blessed spirits, with Gabriel as ruler of the order.

Mary—the Virgin Mary is spoken of as an angel in the *Book of John the Evangelist*. According to James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 191, Mary is the angel sent by God to receive the Lord, who enters her "through the ear," and who "comes forth by the ear." In the Litany of Loretto, Mary is "queen of angels."

Masgabriel—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, an angel resident in the 4th Heaven and invoked from the north. Masgabriel rules on Lord's Day (Sunday).

Mashit(h) ("destroyer")—an angel appointed over the death of children. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.] In *The Zohar* he is one of 3 demons in gehinnom (Hell) who punish those who sin by idolatry, murder, and incest. The other 2 demons are Af and Hemah (*q.v.*). In *Midrash Tehillim* (commentary on Psalms), Mashit is one of 5 angels of punishment whom Moses encounters in Heaven.

Masim—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Maskelli (Maskelli-Maskello). [Zarazaz]

Maskiel—an angelic guard of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]



A woodcut from the Cologne Bible. Left, the Scarlet Woman seated on seven-headed dragon and worshipped by minor kings of the earth. Center (top), angel drops great millstone into the sea. Right, angel with key to bottomless pit about to consign to it the devil. Extreme right, closing scene of Revelation 14, showing harvest of the world and vintage of the grapes of wrath. From *Pictures from a Mediaeval Bible*.

Maskim—in Akkadian religion the maskim are the 7 great princes of Hell, otherwise known as the 7 spirits of the abyss, of whom it was said that “although their seat is in the depths of the earth, yet their voice resounds on the heights,” and that they “reside at will in the immensity of space.” Mephistopheles is one of the 7. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*; Agrippa’s Electors; and Conybeare’s listing of the underworld planetary rulers in *The Testament of Solomon*.]

Masleh—in occultism, the angel who “actuated the chaos and produced the 4 elements.” In Jewish legendary lore, Masleh is the ruler of the zodiac. In *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*, “the power and influence of Logos descends through the angel Masleh into the sphere of the zodiac.”

Masniel—a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Maspiel—an angelic guard stationed in the 2nd Heaven. He is named in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Mass Massiah—in Talmud *Shabbath*, an angel invoked for the curing of cutaneous disorders.

Mastema (Mansemat)—the accusing angel; like Satan, he works for God as tempter and executioner; he is prince of evil, injustice, and condemnation. Cf. *The Book of Jubilees* and *The Zadokite Fragments and the Dead Sea Scrolls*, where Mastema is the angel of adversity, “father of all evil, yet subservient to God.” It was Mastema who tried to kill Moses (in the incident mentioned in Exodus 4:24ff.) and who hardened Pharaoh’s heart (although, according to *Midrash Abkir*, it was Uzza who did this). There is a legend that Mastema appealed to God to spare some of the demons so that he (Mastema) might execute the power of his will on the sons of man. God apparently thought this was a good idea and permitted 1/10th of the demons to remain at large, in the service of Mastema. It is also claimed that Mastema helped the Egyptian sorcerers when Moses and Aaron appeared before Pharaoh to perform their magical tricks. [Cf. Beliel; Satan.] In *The Damascus Document*, quoted by Vermes in

Discovery in the Judean Desert, an angel of hostility is spoken of, and this is applied to Mastema.

Master of Howling—the angel Jeduthun. [See Lord(s) of Shouting.]

Mastho—in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, Mastho is called the “genius of delusive appearances.” He is one of the spirits of the 10th hour, according to a listing in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Mastinim—a term characterizing the accusing angels, of whom Sammael (*q.v.*) is chief. In Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, the mastinim are called “the greatest angels of the nations.” In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 17, mention is made of Uzza, tutelary angel of Egypt, as an accusing angel. Elijah is characterized as an accusing angel of Israel—when, that is, he accuses in behalf of the Chosen People.

Matafiel—as noted in *Hechaloth Rabbati*, one of the 7 angelic guards of the 2nd Heaven.

Matanbuchus (Mechembechus, Meterbuchus, Beliar, Mastema)—in *The Martyrdom of Isaiah*, *Testament of Job*, and in the Introduction to *The Ascension of Isaiah*, Matanbuchus is referred to as the angel of lawlessness, and identified with Beliar: “Beliar, whose name is Matanbuchus.” The name is believed to be composed of 2 Hebrew words: *mattan buka*, meaning “worthless gift”; or, better, a form of the Hebrew *mithdabek*, “one who attaches himself,” i.e., an evil spirit.

Mataziel (“sweet”)—one of the 7 angel guards of the 1st Heaven, as noted in *Hechaloth Rabbati*.

Matarel (Matariel)—in rabbinic and pseud-epigraphic lore, the angel of rain. Others so designated include Ridya (Ridia), Zalbesael, and Batarrel. In 3 *Enoch*, Matarel is one of the rulers of the world.

Matariel [Matarel]

Mathiel—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, Barrett, *The Magus*, and other occult works, Mathiel is an angel serving in the 5th Heaven. He is ruler of Tuesday, invoked from the north.

Mathlai—one of the spirits of the planet

Mercury, angel of Wednesday, resident of the 3rd Heaven—according to de Abano, *The Heptameron*; but, according to Barrett, *The Magus*, Mathlai is a resident of the 2nd Heaven, and invoked from the east.

Matmoniel—a “holy minister of God” who may be summoned up in Solomonic conjurations for procuring to the invocant a magic carpet. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Matniel [Maktiel]

Matrona—the Shekinah (*q.v.*) called “angel of the Lord” in *The Zohar*.

Matsmetsiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Mavet—angel of death. [See Malach ha-Mavet.]

Mavkiel—an angel’s name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Maymon—chief angel of the air, ruler of Saturday, and subject to the South Wind. Three angels minister to Maymon: Abumalith, Assaibi, and Belidet. In de Abano’s works, Maymon is “king of the Saturday angels of the air.”

Mbriel—an angel who rules over winds, according to M. Gasster, *The Sword of Moses*.

McWilliams, Sandy (fictional)—a bald-headed angel in Mark Twain’s *Captain Stormfield’s Visit to Heaven*.

Meachuel—in occult works, specifically in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, Meachuel is one of the 3 angels of the Triune God used for conjuring, the other 2 being Lebetei and Ketuel.

Mebabel—one of the 72 angels of the 72 quinares of the degrees of the zodiac. Mebabel is invoked by those who seek to usurp the fortune of others. He is known to protect the innocent. His corresponding angel is Thesogar. [See Barrett, *The Magus*; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*; Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Mebahel—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Mebahiah—in the cabala, an angel who exercises dominion over morals and religion; also one who helps those desiring offspring. Mebahiah is one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel is Smat. Mebahiah's sigil is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

Mechiel—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac, according to listing in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.

Mediat (Modiat)—king of the angels ruling Wednesday; also one of the intelligences of the planet Mercury. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Medorin—an angel in the heavenly Paradise. [Rf. *The Zohar* (Bereshith 39b, fn.).]

Medussusiel—as mentioned in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 6th hour of the day, serving under Samil.

Meetatron [Metatron]

Mefathiel—"an opener of doors," hence, according to Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, Mefathiel is an angel favored of thieves and other miscreants.

Megiddon—a seraph, in Klopstock, *The Messiah*.

Mehabel—an angel belonging to the order of cherubim and cited in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

Mehaiah—an angel of the order of principalities, as listed in the "L'Arbre de Vie en Iesirah" chart reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, facing p. 88.

Mehalalel—in *The Book of Protection*, an angel invoked in Syriac spellbinding charms. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Mehekiel—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Meher (Mithra)—in Mandaean religious lore, the yazata or angel presiding over light and justice. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*.]

Mehiel—in the cabala, an angel who protects university professors, orators, and authors. His corresponding angel is Astiro. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Mehriel—one of the archangels in the cabala.

Mehuman ("true, faithful")—one of the 7 angels of confusion. Mehuman figures in the story relating to Esther and Ahasuerus, as told in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.

Meil—a Wednesday angel (one of 3) invoked in ceremonial magic rites. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Meimeiriron—in Isaac ha-Cohen's text, "Em-
anations of the Left Side," Meimeiriron is the 4th of the 10 holy sefiroth, the "personalized Hesed." The "less authentic angel" of this sefira is Zadkiel.

Mekhapperyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Melahel—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae, according to Barrett, *The Magus II*.

Melchi(d)ael—in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, and in *Grimorium Verum*, Melchiel is an angelic prince conjured up in Solomonian black magic rites. He is efficacious in providing the invocant with the woman of his desires.

Melchisedec (or Melchizedek or Melch-Zadok—"the god Zedek is my king")—king of righteousness whom pseudo-Dionysius called "the hierarch most beloved of God." Epiphanius in his *Adversus Heereses* calls Melchisedec an angel of the order of virtues. According to pseudo-Tertullian, Melchisedec is a "celestial virtue of great grace who does for heavenly angels and virtues what Christ does for man." [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity II*, p. 148.] In the Bible (Genesis 14), Melchisedec is the fabled priest-king of Salem, ancient name for Jerusalem. It was to Melchisedec that Abraham gave tithes. In Phoenician mythology Melchisedec, called Sydik, is the father of the 7 elohim or angels of the divine presence. In the gnostic *Book of the Great Logos*, Melchisedec is Zorokothera. Hippolytus refers



Melchisedec, Abraham, and Moses, from the porch of the northern transept of Chartres Cathedral (late 12th century). From E. H. Gombrich, *The Story of Art*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1951.

to a sect, followers of one Theodotus (probably the 3rd-century heretics known as the Melchisedans), who claimed that there was “a great power

named Melchizedek who was greater than Christ.” In certain occult sources, Melchisedec is identified as the Holy Ghost. In the *Book of Mormon* (Alma)

he is referred to as "the prince of peace." His symbol is a chalice and a loaf of bread. R. H. Charles appends to his edition of *Enoch II* a fragment ("a new form of the Melchizedek myth, the work of an early Christian"), wherein Melchisedec figures as the supernatural offspring of Noah's brother Nir, who is preserved in infancy by Michael, and who becomes, after the Flood, a great high priest, the "Word of God," and king of Salem, with "power to work great and glorious marvels that have never been." The term "word of God" very likely stems from St. John's "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." In *Midrash Tehillim*, commenting on Psalm 76, Melchisedec is identified as Shem, one of Noah's sons. This source also contains the legend of Melchisedec feeding the beasts in Noah's ark. The meeting of Abraham and Melchisedec (Genesis 14:17-24) is pictured in a woodcut in the great Cologne Bible (1478-1480) and in Rubens' famous painting, "The Meeting of Abraham and Melchizedec"; also in the painting by Dierik Bouts (c. 1415-1475).

Melech—an angel of the order of powers invoked in conjuration rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Melek-I-Taus (Taus-Melek)—the peacock angel in Yezidic devil-worshipping religion. The name is a paraphrase for the devil in Buddhist lore. [Rf. Wall, *Devils*.] According to Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*, "the Melek-Tawus was once an angel or demiurge who created Eve from the body of Adam." [See Taus-Melek.]

Meleyal or **Melejal** ("fulness of God")—in Enoch writings, an angel of autumn, ruling 3 months of the year. [Rf. *Enoch I*.]

Melha—chief of the order of flames, and Buddhist counterpart of the seraphim. [Rf. Blavatsky, *The Secret Doctrine II*.]

Melioth—one of 9 angels "that run together throughout heavenly and earthly places." The 9 angels are named by Beliar and revealed to Bartholomew in the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 177.

Melkejal (Machidiel)—angelic ruler of March. "In the beginning of the year," says *Enoch I*, "Melkejal rises first and rules."

Melkharadonin—in gnostic lore, one of 12 powers engendered by Ialdabaoth. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Melki—in Mandaean religion, the *melki* or *malki* are semidivinities (like the *uthri*) who carry out the Will of the Great Life. All are "subordinate to the Creator, whose first manifestations they were." A Mandaean legend tells of 2 *melki*, Zutheyr and Zahrun, conjured down from Heaven to aid believers in baptismal rites. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*, p. 328.]

Melkiel—one of the angels of the 4 seasons, serving with Helemmelek, Melejal, and Narel.

Melkoutael—the sefira of Malkuth in the Briatic world. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Membra (logos)—the Word of God; an hypothesis of God; an intermediary (i.e., an angel) of God. In Jewish cabala, Membra denotes the divine name. [Rf. *The Jewish World in the Time of Jesus*; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Memeon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Memsiel—a chief officer-angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Memuneh ("appointed one")—a deputy angel, a dispenser of dreams. Through Memuneh, it is said, the universe operates. The plural form is memunim. These memunim are the defenders in Heaven of their earthly charges. In Jewish ceremonial magic, the memunim were regarded as demons, although Eleazor of Worms insisted they were angels. 3 *Enoch* speaks of the memunim as belonging to the class of angels of the Song-Uttering Choirs.

Memunim (plural for Memuneh)—appointed ones, a class of angels. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Menadel—an angel of the order of powers,

according to Ambelain; also one of the 72 angels of the zodiac, according to Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*. Menadel keeps exiles faithful or loyal to their native land. His corresponding angel, in the cabala, is Aphut. For the sigil of Menadel, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 273.

Menafiel—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 11th hour of the day, serving under Bariel.

Menakel [Manakel]

Menaqel [Manakel]

Mendrion—in the cabala [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*] the supreme ruling angel of the 7th hour of the night.

Menerva (Menvra)—one of the Novensiles, the 9 supreme spirits or gods of the Etruscans.

Meniel—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Menor—an angel conjured in the exorcism of Wax in Solomonian magical operations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Mentor—an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. Mentioned in the *Clavicula Salomonis*. [See Menor.]

Menvra [Menerva]

Mephistopheles (Mephistophiel, “he who loves not the light”)—the name, originally Hebrew, is derived from “mephiz” meaning destroyer, and “tophel” meaning liar. Mephistopheles is a fallen archangel, one of 7 great princes of Hell (one of the maskim, *q.v.*). According to Cornelius Agrippa, Mephistopheles “stands under the planet Jupiter, his regent is named Zadkiel, who is an enthroned angel of the holy Jehovah.” [Rf. *Dr. Faust's Höllenzwang*, a book of magic.] In Seligmann, *The History of Magic*, Mephistopheles is “a subordinate demon, a fallen angel too, and sometimes admitted to the presence of God, but he is not the devil.” In secular literature, Mephistopheles is either a minion of Satan or a stand-in for Satan. In Marlowe's *Dr. Faustus*, he is a leading character, along with Lucifer, Beelzebub,

and other devils (the angels in the play, good or evil, are not named). In Goethe's *Faust* it is Mephistopheles who, acting for his overlord Satan, seals the pact with Faust. Mephistopheles is also a character in Busoni's uncompleted opera *Doktor Faust*, which was heard for the 1st time in America in 1964. Hegel the philosopher saw in Mephistopheles the symbol of “the negative principle.”

Merasin [Meresin]

Meratron [Metatron]

Merciless Angel, The [Temeluch]

Mercury (Greek, Hermes)—in the cabala, the angel of progress, also a designation for Raphael. [Rf. Acts 14:11–12; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Meresijm—angel of the 1st hour of the day, serving under Sammael. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Meresin (Merasin, Meris, Metiris, Merihim, Meririm)—a fallen angel, chief of the aerial powers, as in *Paradise Lost*. In Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, Meresin (spelt *Miririm*) is one of the 4 angels of revelation—which would make him a holy angel; however, in Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, he is lord of thunder and lightning in Hell—which, presumably, would make him one of the damned.

Meriarim—a chief officer—angel of the night, serving under Sarquamish.

Meririm (Meresin)—in Barrett, *The Magus I*, Meririm is identified as the evil power whom Paul in Ephesians calls “the prince of the power of the air” (i.e., Satan). Barrett claims that Meririm is prince over the angels of whom Revelation speaks and “to whom is given to hurt the earth and the sea . . . he is the meridian devil, a boiling spirit, a devil ranging in the south.”

Merkabah—angel of the chariot (the cherubim).

Merkabah Angels—6 classes of angels [Rf. *3 Enoch*] closest to, or guardian of, the throne of Glory. They include the galgallim, the hayyoth, the ofanim, the seraphim.

Merkaboth ("carriage")—there were (or are) 7 merkaboth, corresponding to the 7 Heavens or "the actual vision of the divine might." They are to be compared with the middoth or the sefiroth (*q.v.*), and are regarded as personifications of the divine attributes, serving before the throne of Glory. [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*; Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*; Zechariah 6.]

Merloy—an "inferior" spirit invoked in Solomonic magical rites. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 239; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 98.]

Mermeoth—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout heavenly and earthly places," as cited in the *Gospel of Bartholomew* in James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*.

Merod—"a most holy angel" invoked in magical operations, as set forth in Waite, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Merof—in occult lore (*The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*), an angel of the Seal, summoned in magical rites.

Meros—an angel of the 9th hour of the day, serving under Vadriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Merroe—"a most pure angel" invoked in Solomonic black magic operations, specifically in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Mesarepim (Mesharethim)—an order of angels of the Song-Uttering Choirs, serving under the leadership of the angel Tagas. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Meserach [Nisroc]

Meshabber—in rabbinic legendary lore, the angel in charge of the death of animals. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, p. 57.]

Mesharethim [Mesarepim]

Mesharim—the name of Joseph Caro's angel, through whom Caro received visions and after whom he titled his *Maggid Mesharim*, a book which contains a description of these visions. The angel served as a personified Mishnah. Caro (1488–1575)

was doyen of the 15th-century cabalistic Safed community in Upper Galilee (Palestine). [Rf. Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*, p. 120.]

Meshulhiel—10th of the avverse (unholy) sefiroth, as set forth in Isaac ha-Cohen's text. For a list of the 10 sefiroth, both holy and unholy, see Appendix.

Mesriel—an angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under Oriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Messenger of the Covenant [Angel of the Testament]

Messiach—an angel invoked in magical operations. Messiach is named in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 107, in connection with the invocation "of the water and of the hyssop." The invocant is advised to recite, at the time of the operations, verses out of Psalms 6, 67, 64, and 102.

Messiah—equated with Soter, Christ, Savior, God. With Metatron, Messiah is designated a cherub and guardian angel of Eden armed with a flaming sword. He is also the angel of the Great Council, angel of the Lord, a sefira in the Briatic world (one of the 4 worlds of creation) and analogous to the Logos or Holy Ghost. Paul in Colossians 1:16 and Ephesians 1:21 has Messiah in mind when he speaks of the angel "raised above all principalities and powers, virtues, dominations." So too Enoch, when he speaks of the "head of days." [For cabalistic references, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Mesukiel—one of the 10 holy sefiras (3rd of the 10). He is to be compared or equated with Machut or Malkuth (*q.v.*); also with En Soph and the Shekinah. However, according to Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria, in his "Emanations of the Left Side," worlds of horror and destructive imaginings spring from Mesukiel, resulting in a double emanation, with 7 successive groups of pure angels (the holy sefiroth) on one side and 7 camps of dark spirits (the evil sefiroth) on the other. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 173.]

Metathiax—in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, one of the 36 decani (i.e., spirits of the

zodiac who are demons of disease). Metathiax causes trouble of the reins, and only the holy angel Adonael (*q.v.*) is able to thwart or undo his evil work. [*Rf. Shah, The Secret Lore of Magic, p. 222.*]

Metatron (Metratton, Mittron, Metaraon, Merraton, etc.)—in noncanonical writings, Metatron is perhaps the greatest of all the heavenly hierarchs, the 1st (as also the last) of the 10 archangels of the Briatic world. He has been called king of angels, prince of the divine face or presence, chancellor of Heaven, angel of the covenant, chief of the ministering angels, and the lesser YHWH (the tetragrammaton). He is charged with the sustenance of mankind. In Talmud and Targum, Metatron is the link between the human and divine. In his earthly incarnation he was the patriarch Enoch—although *Tanhuna Genesis* [*Rf. Jewish Encyclopedia I, 94*] claims he was originally Michael. Talmudic authorities for the most part shy away from identifying Enoch with Metatron; on the contrary, the tendency is to play down the relationship and even to suppress it. In a curious tale of the marriage of God and Earth (Elohim and Edem), told in the *Alphabet of Ben Sira*, God

Metatron (El Shaddai). Reproduced from Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.



demands from Earth the "loan" of Adam for 1,000 years. Upon Earth agreeing to the loan, God writes out a formal receipt, and this is witnessed by the archangels Michael and Gabriel. The receipt, so the story goes, is on deposit "to this day" in the archives of Metatron, the heavenly scribe. Metatron has been variously identified as the dark angel who wrestled with Jacob at Peniel (Genesis 32); as the watchman is "Watchman, what of the night?" (Isaiah 21); as the Logos; as Uriel; and even as the evil Samael. It is said that Exodus 23:20 refers to Metatron: "Behold, I send an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way and to bring thee unto the place which I have prepared" (usually applied to John the Baptist), and Exodus 23:22: "My name is in him." In addition, Metatron has been identified as the Liberating Angel and the Shekinah (who is regarded in some sources as Metatron in his female aspect); in Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition* (p. 76), he is the "demiurge of classical Jewish mysticism." According to the cabala, Metatron is the angel who led the children of Israel through the wilderness after the Exodus; in other occult writings he is described as the twin brother or half-brother of the angel Sandalphon (*cf.* the twin brothers Ormuzd and Ahriman in Zoroastrian lore). With the possible exception of Anafiel (*q.v.*), Metatron is the tallest angel in Heaven, and the greatest, apart from the "eight great princes, the honored and revered ones, who are called YHWH by the name of their king." This is according to *3 Enoch*. Jewish legend relates that upon Metatron (while still Enoch, a mortal) arriving in Heaven, he was transformed into a spirit of fire and equipped with 36 pairs of wings as well as innumerable eyes. The meaning of the name Metatron has never been satisfactorily explained. Eleazar of Worms thought it derived from the Latin *metator*, a guide or measurer. Hugo Odeberg advanced the hypothesis (*3 Enoch*, append. 2) that the name Metatron originated in Jewish circles and "should be regarded as a pure Jewish invention, viz., a metonym for the term 'little YHWH.'" Odeberg is inclined to interpret the name as meaning "one who occupies the throne next to the divine throne." Accordingly Metatron is said to reside

in the 7th Heaven (the dwelling place of God). He appears, when invoked, "as a pillar of fire, his face more dazzling than the sun." Gershom Scholem, on the basis of *The Apocalypse of Abraham*, believes the name might be a "vox mystica" for Yahoel (i.e., God). Metatron has also been identified as Isaiah's suffering servant, the Messiah of Christian theology; but see Orlinsky, "The So-Called 'Suffering Servant' in Isaiah 53." The 72 names of God find a match in the 72 (and more) names of Metatron—Surya, Tatriel, Sasnigiel, Lad, Yofiel, to mention a few. Metatron has also been credited with the authorship of Psalms 37:25 according to Talmud *Yebamoth* 16b; and the authorship, in part, of Isaiah 24:16. In *The Zohar* I, Metatron is spoken of as Moses' rod, "from one side of which comes life and from the other, death." In Eisenmenger, *Traditions of the Jews* II, 408, Metatron is indeed the supreme angel of death, to whom God daily gives orders as to the souls to be "taken" that day. These orders Metatron transmits to his subordinates Gabriel and Samael. That Metatron was considered, at least in some sources, mightier than either Michael or Gabriel is the view expressed in the *Chronicles of Jerahmeel*. Here the story goes that whereas neither of the two great Biblical angels was able to eject Jannes and Jambres, the Egyptian wizards, from Heaven (whither they managed, it seems, to ascend by witchcraft), Metatron was able to accomplish their expulsion. In *Yalkut Hadash*, also, Metatron is said to be "appointed over Michael and Gabriel." As for the size or height of Metatron, *The Zohar* computes it to be "equal to the breadth of the whole world." In rabbinic lore, this was the size of Adam before he sinned. One of Metatron's secret names is Bizbul (according to the *Visions of Ezekiel* where, however, the meaning of this name is not given). King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15, says of Metatron: "This is the Persian Mithra." Many other sources, supporting this identification, are cited by Odeberg, *3 Enoch*. In Jewish angelology, Metatron is "the angel who caused another angel to announce, before the Flood, that God would destroy the world." [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Metatron," vol. 8.] Among numerous other missions or deeds

credited to Metatron is the staying of Abraham's hand on the point of sacrificing Isaac. But this 11th-hour intercession has also been imputed to Michael, Zadkiel, Tadhriel, and of course to the "angel of the Lord," who is the one designated in Genesis 22. Finally, according to Talmud *Abodah Zarah* 3b, Metatron is the "teacher of prematurely dead children in Paradise."

Metrator—"a most holy angel" invoked in magical operations. The specific conjuration is the one "concerning the Needle and other Iron Instruments," during which the invocant is advised to recite versicles from Psalms 31, 42. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 118.]

Miahel—one of the 72 angels of the 72 quinarities of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Mibi—a ministering angel invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Michael ("who is as God")—in Biblical and post-Biblical lore, Michael ranks as the greatest of all angels, whether in Jewish, Christian, or Islamic writings, secular or religious. He derives originally from the Chaldeans by whom he was worshipped as something of a god. He is chief of the order of virtues, chief of archangels, prince of the presence, angel of repentance, righteousness, mercy, and sanctification; also ruler of the 4th Heaven, tutelary *sar* (angelic prince) of Israel, guardian of Jacob, conqueror of Satan (bearing in mind, however, that Satan is still very much around and unvanquished), etc. His mystery name is Sabbathiel. In Islamic writings he is called Mika'il. As the deliverer of the faithful he accords, in the Avesta, with Saoshyant the Redeemer. *Midrash Rabba* (Exodus 18) credits Michael with being the author of the whole of Psalm 85. In addition, he has been identified with the angel who destroyed the hosts of Sennacherib (a feat also ascribed to the prowess of Uriel, Gabriel, Ramiel) and as the angel who stayed the hand of Abraham when the latter was on the point of sacrificing his son Isaac (a feat also ascribed to Tadhriel, Metatron, and other angels). In Jewish lore (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 303) "the fire that Moses saw in the burning



Michael announces to the Virgin her approaching death. A predella by Fra Filippo Lippi. From Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna*.

bush had the appearance of Michael, who had descended from Heaven as the forerunner of the Shekinah." Zagzagel (*q.v.*) is usually denominated the angel of the burning bush. According to Talmud *Berakot* 35, where the comment is on Genesis 18:1-10, Michael is recognized by Sarah as one of 3 "men" whom Abraham entertained unawares. Legend speaks of Michael having assisted 4 other great angels—Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael, Metatron—in the burial of Moses, Michael disputing with Satan for possession of the body [*Rf. Jude* 9.] In mystic and occult writings, Michael has often been equated with the Holy Ghost, the Logos, God, Metatron, etc. In *Baruch III*, Michael "holds the keys of the kingdom of Heaven"—which, traditionally, and in the popular image, applies more aptly to St. Peter. In Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 616, the article "Demons and Spirits" speaks of the earliest traditions in Muslim lore as locating Michael in the 7th Heaven "on the borders of the Full Sea, crowded with an innumerable array of angels"; and after describing Michael's wings as "of the color of green emerald," goes on to say that he "is covered with saffron hairs, each of them containing a million faces and mouths and as many tongues

which, in a million dialects, implore the pardon of Allah." In ancient Persian lore, Michael was called Beshter, "one who provides sustenance for mankind," which would equate him with Metatron. [*Rf. Sale, The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse."] Here it is revealed that the cherubim were formed from the tears Michael shed over the sins of the faithful. Christians invoke Michael as St. Michael, the benevolent angel of death, in the sense of deliverance and immortality, and for leading the souls of the faithful "into the eternal light." To the Jews, according to Régamey, *What Is an Angel?*, Michael is the "viceroys of Heaven" (a title applied to the great adversary *ha-Satan*, before the latter fell). With Gabriel, Michael is the most commonly pictured angel in the work of the classic masters. He is depicted most often as winged, with unsheathed sword, the warrior of God and slayer of the Dragon (a role later apportioned to St. George). As the angel of the final reckoning and the weigher of souls (an office he shares with Dokieli, Zehanzuryu, and others) he holds in his hand the scales of justice. Fra Filippo Lippi, in a sketch reproduced on p. 436 in Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna*, shows Michael kneeling and offering a taper, as the angel who announces to Mary her approaching death (it was Gabriel who announced the birth of the Virgin's God-child). On p. 433 of the same book an oriental legend is recalled which tells of Michael having cut off the hands of "a wicked Jewish high priest" who had attempted to overturn the bier of the just-deceased Virgin; however, the hands of the "audacious Jew" were reunited to his body at the intercession of St. Peter. Among the recently discovered Dead Sea scrolls there is one titled the *War of the Sons of Light Against the Sons of Darkness*. Here Michael is called the "Prince of Light." He leads the angels of light in battle against the legions of the angels of darkness, the latter under the command of the demon Belial. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, Michael is regarded as the forerunner of the Shekinah (*q.v.*); as the angel who brought Asenath from Palestine as a wife to Joseph; as the one who saved Daniel's companions from the fire; as the intermediary between Mordecai and Esther; as the destroyer of Babylon, etc.,

etc. He is also said to have informed the fallen angels of the Deluge. When he wept, his tears changed into precious stones. In Longfellow's *The Golden Legend*, Michael is the spirit of the planet Mercury and "brings the gift of patience." In secular writings, notably in Dante and Milton, Michael figures prominently. In contemporary fiction, he serves as archdeacon to Bishop Brougham in Robert Nathan's *The Bishop's Wife*. To Yeats, in the latter's poem "The Rose of Peace," Michael is styled "leader of God's host." The latest news on Michael is that Pope Pius XII declared him to be (in 1950) the patron of policemen.

Michar [Mikhar]

Micheu—in gnostic lore, a power (with Mikhar) "set over the waters of life." [Rf. the *Bruce Papyrus*.]

Microprosopus—"the left side" of the operative good in cabalistic cosmogony; he was formed, it is claimed, out of the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th sefiroth. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Midael—"a chief and captain" in the celestial army. Cited in *The Magus* as an angel of the order of warriors. Cf. Psalms 34-35. Reference to Midael is found also in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Middoth—in the view of Rabbi Nathan (*Abot*), the middoth are the 7 personifications of the divine attributes or emanations; they are to be compared with the sefiroth (*q.v.*). Two of the middoth—the angels of mercy and of justice—are reputed to have been the principal agents in the creation of the world, according to rabbinic legend. The other 5 middoth are personifications of wisdom, right, love, truth, peace.

Midrash—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Miel—the angel of Wednesday. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.] In Shah's *The Secret Lore of Magic* (p. 294), Miel is cited as one of 3 angels of the planet Mercury, the other 2 angels being Raphael and Seraphiel.

Michael. A 6th-century Byzantine mosaic. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Mights—another term for the order of virtues (*q.v.*), as used by Benjamin Camfield in his *Theological Discourse of Angels*. Steiner in his *The Work of the Angels in Man's Astral Body* equates Mights with Dynamis (*q.v.*).

Migon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron enumerated in *3 Enoch*.

Mihael—in the cabala, an angel in control of conjugal fidelity and fertility. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, lists Mihael as belonging to the order of virtues. According to *The Magus*, he is of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shem-hamphorae.

Miha'il—in Muslim lore, an angel of the 2nd Heaven in charge of a group of angels (in the guise of eagles) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Mihr (Mihir, Miher, Mithra)—in ancient Persian lore, the angel presiding over the 7th month (September) and over the 16th day of that month. Mihr watched over friendship and love. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.] The magi held that, on Judgment Day, 2 angels would stand on the bridge called *al Sirat* (which is finer than a hair and sharper than the edge of a sword) to examine every person crossing. Mihr would be one of those angels, Soroush the other. Mihr, representing divine mercy, and holding a balance in his hand, would weigh the person's actions performed during his lifetime. If found worthy, the person would be permitted to pass on to Paradise. If he was found unworthy, then Soroush, representing divine justice, would hurl him into Hell. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse," p. 64.]

Mijkol (Mijkol)—an angel of the Seal, used in conjuring. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Mikael—an angel who influences the decisions of monarchs, nobles, and governors; also useful in uncovering conspiracies against states. His corresponding angel is Arpien. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 277.]

Mikail or **Mikhael** (Michael)—in Arabic lore, Mika'il is a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Mikhar (Mikheus)—in gnosticism, one of the celestial powers with dominion over the springs of the waters of life (heavenly baptism). [Rf. Dorese, *The Secret Books of Egyptian Gnosticism*, p. 85 and 182; cf. Micheu.]

Mikheus [Mikhar]

Mikiel—one of the 72 angels in charge of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Milkiel (Melkeyal, Tamaano—"my kingdom is God")—in *The Zohar* an angel who rules over spring. The name Milkiel, according to Charles, *The Book of Enoch*, is an "inversion" of Helemmelek (*q.v.*). According to Barton, *Origin of the Names of Angels*, Milkiel rules one of the summer months and goes also under the names of Tamaani and Sun. [Rf. *Enoch I*, 82:15.]

Milliel—a Wednesday angel residing in the 3rd Heaven, as cited in de Abano, *The Heptameron*. However, according to Barrett, *The Magus*, Milliel resides in the 2nd Heaven. But whatever Heaven Milliel resides in, he must be invoked from the south.

Miniel—in occult lore, one of the great luminaries whose chief virtue is that he can, when invoked, induce love in an otherwise cold and reluctant maid; but for the best results, the invocant must be sure he is facing south. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.] Miniel is also invoked in spells for the manufacture and use of magic carpets. One such spell is given in Shah, *Occultism* (p. 167), and is reproduced in the Appendix.

Ministering Angels (Hebrew, *malache ha-shareth*)—in the judgment of some Talmudists, the ministering angels constitute the highest order in the celestial hierarchy, and are the "hosts of the Lord," as in the *Mekilta of Rabbi Ishmael*; in the view of others, the ministering angels are of an inferior order or rank and, since they are so numerous, the most expendable. In Talmud *Sanhedrin*

it is reported that "the ministering angels roasted meat and cooled wine for Adam" during the brief while that our 1st parents dwelt in Eden. In *Yalkut Reubeni* and *The Book of Adam and Eve*, 3 of the ministering angels who thus served Adam are named: Aebel, Anush, and Shetel. The *Testament of Naphtali* (in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*) speaks of God "bringing down from his highest Heaven 70 ministering angels (with Michael at their head) to teach languages to the 70 children that sprang from the loins of Noah." [Cf. *Guardian Angels*.] In Talmud *Hagiga* we learn that "the ministering angels are daily created out of the river Dinur . . . they sing a Hymn and thenceforth perish, as it is said, 'Each morning they are new.'"

Ministers—a term for angels, as in Hebrews 1:7: "He maketh the winds his angels, and the flaming fires his ministers."

Mirael—a "captain and chief" of the celestial armies, invoked in Solomonic magical rites. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 112, and Psalms 34-35.]

Miri—angel of an hour, mentioned and invoked by H.D. (Hilda Doolittle) in her poem "Sagesse." Miri is listed in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, a source from which the American poet drew many of the names of angels found in her work.

Mirrael—an angel of the order of warriors. According to Barrett, *The Magus* II, 58, the name Mirrael derives from Psalms 34 and 35, where the expression "angel of the Lord" occurs.

Misran—genius of persecution and one of the genii of the 12th hour, as noted in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Missabu—in occultism, a ministering angel to Arcan, king of the angels of the air serving on Monday. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Shah, *Occultism*, p. 49.]

Missaln—one of the angels of the Moon, serving on Monday, and responsive to invocations in magical rites. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 296.]

Mitatron (Metatron?)—as described in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, a Wednesday angel resident of the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the west.

Mithghiel A'—one of the angel princes of the Hosts of X, as cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses* XI.

Mithra (Mitra, Mihir, Mihr, Ized, etc.)—in Vedic cosmology, one of the shining gods, analogous to the Judaeo-Christian angels. King in *The Gnostics and Their Remains* equates Mithra with Metatron (q.v.). In Persian theology, Mithra or Mihr is one of the 28 izeds (spirits) that surround the great god Ahura-Mazda. He "rises from a paradise in the east, has 1,000 ears and 10,000 eyes." Among Aryans, he is a god of light. In Heaven, he assigns places to the souls of the just. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 145; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Mitmon—an angel called on in goetic conjurations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Miton—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Mitox(t)—a Zoroastrian daeva of the "falsely spoken word;" a servant of Ahriman, Persian prince of demons. [Rf. *Grundriss der iranischen Philologie* III; Seligmann, *History of Magic*, p. 39.]

Mitspad—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Mitzrael (Mizrael)—one of the archangels in cabalistic lore. Mitzrael induces obedience on the part of inferiors toward superiors. He is one of 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. His corresponding angel is Homoth. For the sigil of Mitzrael, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

Mitzraim (Hebrew name for Egypt)—the guardian angel of Egypt (but see Uzza; also Rahab). [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*.]

Mivon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Mizabu—a spirit of the 4 quarters of the Universal Mansions, called on in Monday invocations. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Mizan—an angel invoked in Arabic incantation rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*.]

Mizgitari—genius of eagles and one of the genii of the 7th hour, as noted in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Mizkun—genius of amulets and one of the genii of the 1st hour. Noted in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Mizumah—in ancient Persian lore, the angel who “attended the servants of God and promoted the better faith.” [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 126.]

Mnesinous—in the *Revelation of Adam to His Son Seth*, one of the great celestial powers “who are to draw the elect up to Heaven.” [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 182.]

Moak(k)ibat—in Muslim lore, the recording angel, just as Pravuil or Radueriel is in Judaeo-Christian lore, or as Nebo or Nabu is in Babylonian lore. The term “al Moakkibat” stands for 2 guardian angels who, in Arabic legend, write down men’s activities. The angels succeed each other daily. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, “Preliminary Discourse,” IV.]

Modiel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind, according to listing in the *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Modiniel—in Jewish cabala, one of the spirits of the planet Mars. His corresponding intelligence is Graphael. [See Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic: Its Origin and Development*.]

Moloc(h) (Molech)—a fallen angel in *Paradise Lost* II, 4, where he is described as “the fiercest Spirit/That fought in Heav’n; now fiercer by despair.” In Hebrew lore, he is a Canaanitish god of fire to whom children were sacrificed. Solomon built a temple to him [Rf. I Kings II, 7.]

Monad—one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Monker (Munkar)—one of 2 blue-eyed black angels (the other being Nakir) in Arabic demonology. Monker’s special job is to examine the souls of the recently deceased so as to determine whether they are worthy of a place in Paradise. See “A Mandaean Hymn of the Soul” by Schulim Ochser, mentioned in Thompson, *Semitic Magic*. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, “Azabu’l-Qabr.”]

Morael (Moriel)—in geonic lore, the angel of awe or fear. He rules over the month of Elul (August-September). He has the power of making everything in the world invisible—according to Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, where, on p. 161, Morael’s sigil is reproduced.

Morax [Forfax]

Mordad—the angel of death in ancient Persian lore. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, “Preliminary Discourse,” p. 51.]

Moroni—the Mormon angel of God, son of “Mormon, the last great leader of the Nephites.” A statue of Moroni tops the 40-foot monument at Hill Cumorah, 4 miles south of Palmyra, New York, where Joseph Smith claimed he received, from the hand of this angel, the gold plates containing “the gospel of a new revelation.” [Rf. *the Book of Mormon*.]

Moses—in tannaitic sources, Moses is not infrequently referred to as an angel, or as a patriarch-prophet who enjoys a status above an angel. He is one of 3 humans who “ascended to Heaven to perform service” (Enoch, Elijah, Moses); but while we know the angelic names of Enoch and Elijah (Metatron and Sandalphon) we have no angelic name for Moses. True, there is a legend (*Midrash Tannaim* relates it) that, on occasion, Michael assumed the form of Moses.

Mqttro—an angel (one of the *nomina barbara*) “that ministers to the son of man.” [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Mrgioial—an invocation angel (one of the *nomina barbara*), and among the 4 angels appointed by God to the Sword who communicated the

divine name to Moses. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Mtniel—an angel who exercises dominion over wild beasts, just as Behemiel (*q.v.*) exercises dominion over tame beasts. Mtniel shares his office with 2 other angels, Jehiel and Hayyel.

Mufgar—in *Pirke Hechaloth* an angelic guard serving in the 1st Heaven.

Mufiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Mulciber—in *Paradise Lost* I, 740ff., Mulciber once “built in Heav’n high Towers.” [Cf. Vulcan.]

Mumiah—in the cabala, an angel who controls the science of physics and medicine and is in charge of health and longevity. His corresponding angel is Atembui. For Mumiah’s sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 294.

Mumol—an angel invoked with Mutuol (*q.v.*) in the consecration of Pen and Ink.

Munkar [Monker]

Mupiel (“out of the mouth of God”)—in Mosaic incantation rites, an angel invoked for the obtaining of a good memory and an open heart.

Murdad—in ancient Persian lore, the angel of July; also the angel governing the 7th day of the month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.] Where Murdad is equated with Azrael, he is the angel who separates the body from the soul, at death.

Muriel (Murriel, from the Greek “myrrh”)—angel of the month of June and ruler of the sign of Cancer (crab), as cited in Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, p. 67. Muriel is also one of the rulers of the order of dominations. He is invoked from the south and is able to procure for the invocant a magic carpet. In addition, he serves under Veguaniel as one of the chief angelic officers of the 3rd hour of the day.

Murmur (Murmur)—before he turned into a fallen angel, Murmur was partly of the order of thrones and partly of the order of angels. This “fact was proved after infinite research,” reports Spence in *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 119. In Hell, Murmur is a great duke with 30 legions

A woodcut from the Cologne Bible showing the burial of Moses. On left, God, interring the Lawgiver. Assisting angels are Michael and Gabriel (or Zagzagel). From *Pictures from a Mediaeval Bible*.



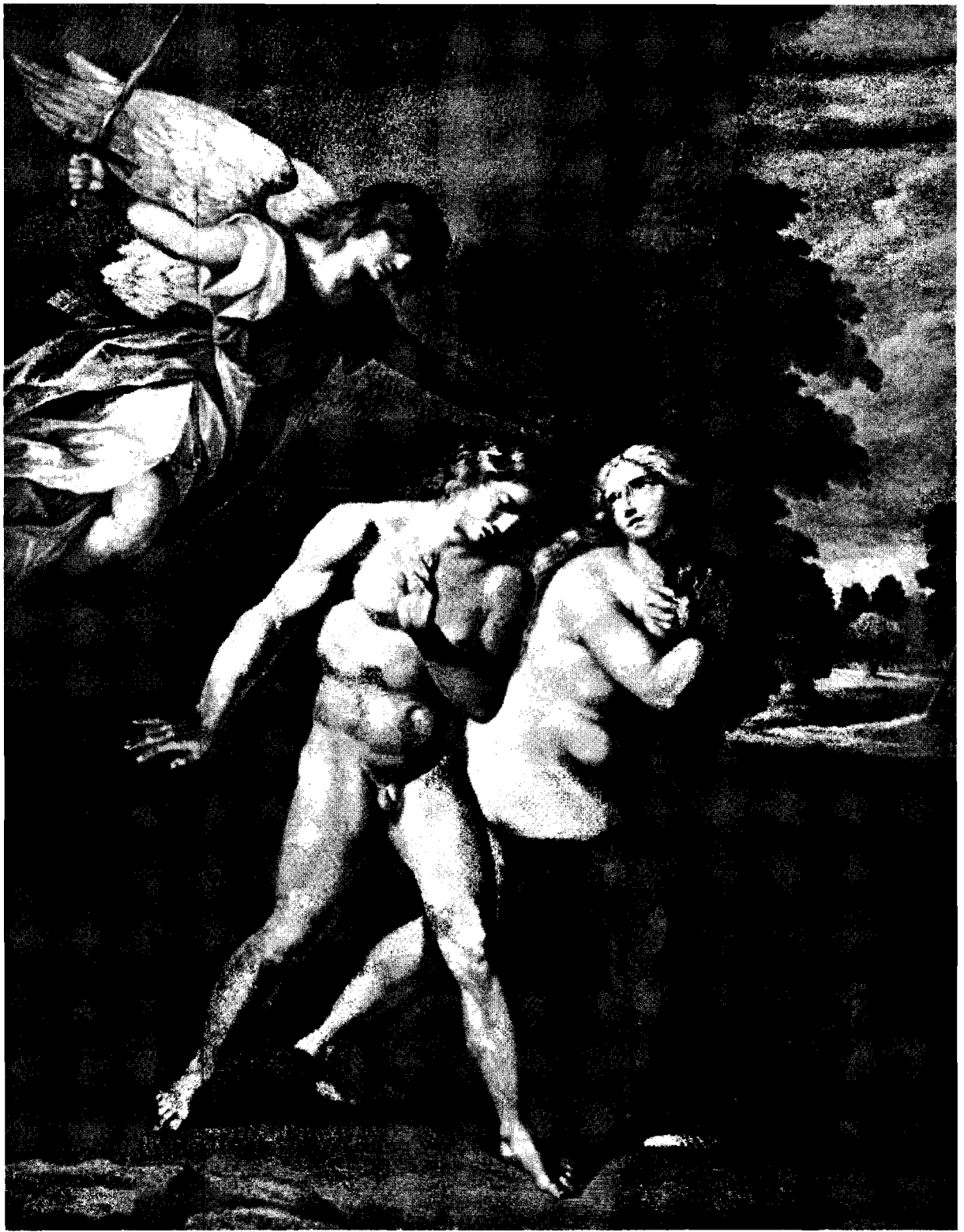
of infernal spirits attending him. He manifests in the form of a warrior astride a gryphon, with a ducal crown upon his head. He teaches philosophy and constrains the souls of the dead to appear before him for the answering of questions. His sigil is shown in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 182.

Musanios—in gnostic lore, an aeon of the lower ranks; yet he serves as a ruler of the realm of the

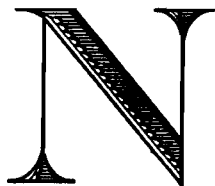
invisible. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Mutuol—in *The Grand Grimoire*, an angel invoked in the consecration of Pen and Ink, a powerful device for the binding of evil spirits, or of exorcising them. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, p. 20.]

Mzpopiasaiel—a leader of the angels of wrath. He is so designated in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.



Angel of Eden expelling Adam and Eve.
 Identified as Michael by Milton in *Paradise Lost*, but as Raphael by Dryden in *State of Innocence*. Reproduced from Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.



Naadame—a “prince over all the angels and Caesars.” [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Naamah (“pleasing”)—in the cabala, one of 4 angels of prostitution, all mates of Sammael, the other 3 being Lilith, Eisheth Zenunim, and Agrat (Iggereth) bat Mahlat. According to Rabbi Isaac, the sons of God, specifically Uzza and Azael, were corrupted by Naamah. Rabbi Simeon called her mother of demons, and Rabbi Hiya believed she was the “great seducer not only of men but of spirits and demons,” and that, with Lilith, she “brought epilepsy to children.” [Rf. *The Zohar* I, 55a.] In *The Legends of the Jews* I, 150, Naamah is the mother of the devil Asmodeus by the angel-demon Shamdan. In Genesis 4:22, Naamah is a mortal, the sister of Tubal-cain.

Naar (Hebrew, “lad”)—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Naariri (variant of Naar)—an angelic guard of the 7th Heaven.

Nabu (Nebo, “prophet, proclaimer”)—the

Babylonian prototype of the Judaeo-Christian archangel. Nabu was the son and minister of the god Marduk and in Sumerian theosophy was known as “the angel of the Lord.” As the scribe of the book of fate, his emblem is the lamp. He was also regarded as one of the recording angels. In Akkadian myth, Nabu was the god of the planet Mercury. Relating the Eastern divinity to Enoch-Metatron, Ginzberg, in *The Legends of the Jews* V, 163, says: “The Babylonian Nebo, heavenly scribe, gave Enoch to the Palestinian, Metatron to the Babylonian Jews, and nothing could be more natural than the final combination of Enoch-Metatron.” [Rf. *Catholic Encyclopedia* I, “Angel.”]

Nachiel (Nakiel, Nakhriel)—in the cabala, the intelligence of the sun, when the sun enters the sign of Leo. Nachiel’s cabalistic number is 111. His corresponding spirit is Sorath (*q.v.*), according to Paracelsus’ doctrine of Talismans. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 318.]

Nachmiel—an angelic guard of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 317.]

Nacoriel—an angel of the 9th hour of the night. [See Hanozoz.]

Nadiel—in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*, the angel of migration; also ruler of December (Kislav). [See Haniel.]

Nafriel—an angelic guard of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 317.]

Nagrasagiel (Nasragiel, Nagdasgiel, Nagazdiel)—prince of gehinnom (Hell) who showed Moses around when the Lawgiver toured the underworld. [Rf. *Midrash Konen* and *The Legends of the Jews* II, 310.] Cf. Sargiel; also the Sumerian-Chaldean Nergal.

Nahaliel ("valley of God")—an angel presiding over running streams. [Rf. *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.] In Numbers 21:19 Nahaliel is the name of a town.

Naboriel [Nahuriel]

Nahuriel—one of 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven, as listed in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Nairyo Sangha (Persian)—one of 3 angel princes of the 3 upper gates of the nether world, a messenger of Ahura-Mazda. [Rf. *Midrash Konen*; *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 593.] "To Nairyo Sangha the souls of the righteous are entrusted."

Nakhiel [Nachiel]

Nakiel [Nachiel]

Nakir—a black angel in Mohammedan lore. [See Monker.]

Nakriel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Nanael—in practical cabala, one of the principalities; also one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. Nanael exercises dominion over the great sciences, influences philosophers and ecclesiastics. His corresponding angel is Chomme. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Naoutha—the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 176, speaks of Naoutha as an angel with dominion over

the southwest. He is described as having "a rod of snow in his hand" which he "putteth into his mouth," and as quenching the fire "that cometh out of his mouth."

Narcoriel—an angel of the 8th hour of the night. [See Hanoziz.]

Narel—in Enoch lore, the angel of winter.

Nariel—according to Barrett, *The Magus*, Nariel governs the South Wind. He is also ruler of the noonday winds. "By some called Ariel," says *The Magus*.

Naromiel—in occult lore, one of the intelligences of the moon, and ruler of Lord's Day (Sunday). He resides in the 4th Heaven and is invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Narsinha—the "man-lion" avatar, one of the 10 divine incarnations in Vedic lore. He is "lord of heroism." [See Avatar.]

Narudi—an Akkadian spirit, "lord of the great gods," whose image was placed in houses to ward off wicked people. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 48.]

Nasarach (Nisroch)—another form for Nisroc (q.v.) used in Isaiah and in II Kings 19:37.

Nasargiel (Nagrasagiel, Nasragiel)—a great, holy, lion-headed angel who, with Kipod and Nairyo Sangha, exercised dominion over Hell. He is to be compared with the Sumerian-Chaldean Nergal. Nasargiel showed Moses around the nether realms on orders from God. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 310.]

Nasharon—an angel prince "over all the angels and Caesars." [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Nashriel—in the text of Isaac ha-Cohen, Nashriel is one of 3 *sarim* (angelic princes) under the suzerainty of Sephuriron, the latter ranking as 10th of the 10 holy sefiroth. The other 2 *sarim* are Ithuriel and Malkiel.

Nasragiel [Nasargiel]

Nasr-ed-Din ("help of faith")—one of the 7 archangels in Yezidic devil-worshipping religion. For the names of the other 6 archangels, see Appendix.

Nathanael ("gift of God"—Xathaniel, Zathael, etc.)—in Jewish legendary lore, Nathanael is the 6th created angel and one of the 12 angels of vengeance. He is lord over the element of fire. He is the angel (*The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*) who "burned the servants of Jair" in the contest between God and Baal, saving from fire the 7 men who would not sacrifice to the pagan deity. In Waite, *The Lemegeton*, Nathanael is an angel of the 6th hour, serving under Samil. He is also one of 3 angels (with Ingethal and Zeruch) set over hidden things. Ferrar, *The Uncanonical Jewish Books*, mentions the legend of Nathanael being sent down from Heaven by God to help the warrior Cerez defeat the Amorites.

Natiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Nattig—in Chaldean lore, one of the 4 principal classes of protecting genii; to be compared with the kerubs of Babylonian myth.

Natzhiriron—in Isaac ha-Cohen's text, one of the 10 holy sefiroth, the personalized angel of Netzach. In the cabala, the personalized angel is Haniel or Anael.

Nayá'il—in Islamic apocalyptic lore, an angel encountered by the sufi Abu Yazid in the 4th Heaven during the sufi's *mir'aj* (ascent) to all 7 Heavens. The angel Nayá'il offers Abu Yazid "a kingdom such as no tongue can describe," but, knowing the offer (actually a bribe) to be only a test of his single-minded devotion to God, Abu Yazid "pays no heed to it." [Rf. Nicholson, "An Early Arabic Version," etc.]

Nbat—a Mandaean "light-being" (angel). [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*.]

Ndmh—angel of the summer equinox invoked as an amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Nebo [Nabu]

Neciel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon.

Nectaire (fictional)—in Anatole France, *Revolt of the Angels*, the wondrous flutist. In Heaven, according to France, Nectaire was of the order of dominations and known as Alaciél.

Nefilim [Nephilim]

Nefta (fictional)—an angel (female) loved by Asrael in the opera by Francetti. [See Asrael.]

Negarsanel (Nasargiel)—prince of Hell, "der Fürst des Gehinnom," as Negarsanel is called in the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba* (German translation).

Negef—a holy angel of destruction invoked in ritual magic at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

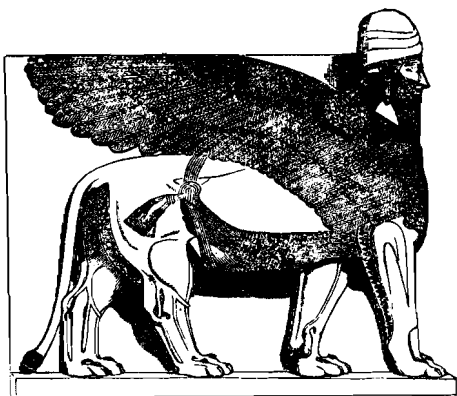
Nehinah—an angel invoked in necromantic operations. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Neithel—Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, cites Neithel as one of the 72 angels ruling over the 72 quaternaries of the degrees of the zodiac.

Nekir—in Arabic lore (drawn from the Talmud, according to De Plancy), Nekir is an angel who, with Monker and Munkir, interrogates the dead in order to discover what god they worshipped when alive. Both Nekir and Monker are said to have hideous aspects and frightening voices.

Nelapa—in Barrett, *The Magus*, a Wednesday angel who resides in the 2nd Heaven and is invoked from the south in theurgic operations.

Nelchael—an angel belonging to the order of thrones and one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae, according to Barrett, *The Magus*, and Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*. However, he appears to be not a holy angel but a fallen one who, in Hell, teaches astronomy, mathematics, and geography to his fellow demons. His corresponding spirit is known as Sith.



Nergal, one of the four principal protecting genii (guardian angels) in Chaldean cosmology. From Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*.

Nemamiah—in the cabala, an archangel, guardian of admirals, generals, and all who engage in just causes. He is also one of the 72 bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289, where Nemamiah's sigil is reproduced.]

Nememel—one of the 72 angels ruling over the 72 quinarys of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Nephilim (Nephelin, Nefilim)—in Hebrew lore, the nephilim stood for giants of primeval times; also as fallen angels, or their offspring (the "sons of God" who cohabited with the daughters of men, as in Genesis 6). Closely related were the emim ("terrors"), the rephaim ("weakeners"), the gibborim ("giants"), the zamzummim ("achievers"), etc. [Rf. Enoch I; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*; Numbers 13:33.] Head of the nephilim was Helel (q.v.). According to the 9th-century writer Hiwi al Balkhi, the nephilim were the builders of the Tower of Babel. [Rf. Saadia, *Polemic against Hiwi al Balkhi*, pp. 54–56.]

Nephonos—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places." The 9 angels are named by Beliar and revealed to Bartholomew in the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 177.

Neqaël (Nuqaël)—an evil (i.e., fallen) archangel included in the Enoch listings. The name is actually a corruption or variant of Ezeqaël.

Nergal ("great hero," "great king," "king death")—in Babylonian mythology, Nergal (or Nirgal or Nigali) is a planetary ruler of the week. To the Akkadians he was a lion-headed god; to the Chaldeans, one of 4 principal protecting genii (guardian angels). He was also the god of Kutha, as in II Kings 17:30, and answered to Baal as a deity of Hades. [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.] In Sumerian-Chaldean-Palestinian lore, Nergal is ruler of the summer sun. In gnosticism he is king of Hades (as in Scripture). In occultism he is chief of secret police in the nether regions. He is also credited with being a god of pestilence, war, fever, as well as the spirit of the planet Mars and one of the governors of the 12 signs of the zodiac. In Le Clercq's collection, Nergal is figured on a bronze medallion: obverse, lion-headed; verso, wings and clawed feet. In De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, he is "an honorary spy in the service of Belzebuth." See picturization from Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*.

Neria(h) ("lamp of God")—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Neriel—probably the same as Neria. In *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, Neriel is listed among the 28 angels who govern the 28 mansions of the moon.

Nesanel—in Mosaic incantation rites, Nesanel, along with the angels Meachuel and Gabril, is summoned to free or purge the invocant of all sin.

Nestoriël—an angel of the 1st hour of the day, serving Sammael. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Nestozoz—chief officiating angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving Sarquamich.

Nethahel—in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, one of the 72 angels ruling over the 72 quinarys of the degrees of the zodiac.

Netoniël—in black magic, an angelic name found inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 1st pentacle of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Shah, *The*

Secret Lore of Magic; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Netzach ("victory, firmness")—the 7th of the 10 holy sefiroth (emanations of God). The personalized angel of Netzach is Haniel (Anael) of the order of elohim.

Netzael [Netzach]

Nibra Ha-Rishon—one of the emanations of God (i.e., a sefira). According to Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*, Nibra Ha-Rishon must be ranked among the highest angelic beings and to be compared with Makon, Logos, Sophia, Metatron.

Nichbadiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [See *Ozar Midrashim* II, 317.]

Nidbai—in Mandaean mythology, one of 2 guardian *uthri* (angels) of the River Jordan; the other guardian angel is Silmai or Shilmai. [Rf. Drower, *The Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans*, and *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*.]

Nilaihah (or Nith-haiah)—Ambelain, *La Kabale Pratique*, lists Nilaihah as a poet-angel of the order of dominations. He is invoked by pronouncing any of the divine names along with the 1st verse of Psalm 9. He is in charge of occult sciences, delivers prophecies in rhyme, and exercises influence over wise men who love peace and solitude. His sigil is figured on p. 273 of Ambelain's work.

Nine Angels That Rule the Nine Hierarchies in Heaven—1. Merattron or Metatron (over the seraphim); 2. Ophaniel (over the cherubim); 3. Zaphkiel (over thrones); 4. Zadkiel (over dominations); 5. Camael (over powers); 6. Raphael (over virtues); 7. Haniel (over principalities); 8. Michael (over archangels); 9. Gabriel (over angels). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Ninety-nine Sheep—comprising the world of the angels. Methodius of Philippi, *Convivia* 3, 6, writes: "We must see in the 99 sheep a representation of the powers and the principalities and the dominations." Origen, Cyril of Jerusalem, and Gregory of Nyssa wrote to the same effect.

Ninip—in Babylonian theosophy, chief of the angels (i.e., chief of the igigi). [Rf. *Catholic Encyclopedia*, "Angels"; Mackenzie, *Myths of Babylonia and Assyria*.]

Ninth Heaven—the home of the 12 signs of the zodiac, according to *Enoch II*; but see Eighth Heaven. In Hebrew, the 9th Heaven is called *kukhavim*.

Nirgal (Nirgali)—one of the 4 principal classes of protecting genii (i.e., guardian angels) in Chaldean lore. Usually represented as spirits in the form of lions with men's heads. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 121.] See Nergal.

Nisah [Netzach]

Nisan—a Talmudic angel mentioned in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.

Nisroc(h) ("the great eagle")—originally an Assyrian deity, worshipped by Sennacherib (II Kings 19:37). But, according to Milton (*Paradise Lost* VI, 447), Nisroc is a ruling angel of the order of principalities. In occult lore, he is regarded as a demon, serving as chief of cuisine in the House of Princes (in Hell). See illustration from Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*. Nisroc is equated with Chemos, Baal-Peor, Meserach and Arasek.

Nisroch, an Assyrian deity worshipped by Sennacherib (II Kings 19, 37). From Schaff, *A Dictionary of the Bible*.





The nine orders of the celestial hierarchy. A 14th-century conception. From Hans Werner Hegemann, *Der Engel in der deutschen Kunst*. Munich: R. Piper, 1950.

Nithael—in the cabala, an angel formerly of the order of principalities. Barrett, *The Magus*, claims that Nithael is, despite his fall, still one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. The prevailing belief is that Nithael joined Satan during the rebellion in Heaven and

that now, in Hell, he governs emperors and kings, also civil and ecclesiastical personages of the highest rank. For Nithael's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

Nithaiah (Nith-Haiah) [Nilaihah]

Nitibus—a genius of the stars, cited in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuclemeron*, Nitibus is an angel of the 2nd hour.

Nitika—a genius of precious stones; he presides over the 6th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*; Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

N'Mosnikttiel—a leader of the angels of rage. Cited in Jewish mysticism tracts. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Noaphiel—an angel whose name is inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 5th pentacle of the planet Saturn. In conjuring Noaphiel, the invocant is advised (for best results) to recite a versicle from Deuteronomy 10.

Nogah—one of 2 big stars (i.e., angels) that Metatron pointed out to Moses in the 4th Heaven. Nogah "stands above the sun in summer to cool the earth." [Rf. *Revelation of Moses*.]

Nogahel—one of the princes "who stand continually before God and to whom are given the spirit names of the planets." [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Noguel—in the cabala, a spirit of the planet Venus. His corresponding intelligence is Hagiel. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 26.]

Nohariel—an angelic guard of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Noriel ("fire of God")—in *The Zohar* (Exodus 147a), one of angels symbolized by special colors; in the case of Noriel, "by the gold of brass, lit with orange." [Rf. *Divine Pymander of Hermes Trismegistus*.] In *Ozar Midrashim* (II, 316), Noriel is one of the angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Novensiles—the 9 great deities of the Etruscans who controlled thunderbolts. Their names were Tina, Cupra, Menrva (Menerva), Summanus, Vejovis (Vedius), Sethlans, Mars, Mantus, Ercl

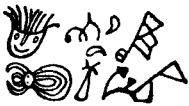
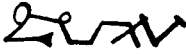
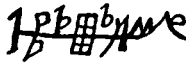
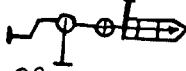
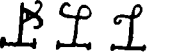
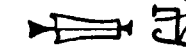
(Hercle). In his *The Case Against the Pagans (Adversus Nationes)*, Arnobius reports that, according to Granius, the Novensiles are the Muses; according to Cornificius, they watch over the renewing of things; according to Manilius, they are the gods to whom alone Jupiter gave power to wield his thunderbolts.

Nudriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 3rd heavenly hall.

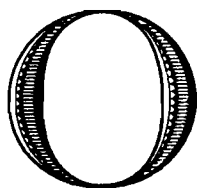
Nukha'il and **Nura'il**—in Arabic lore, guardian angels invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Nuriel ("fire")—angel of hailstorms in Jewish legend. Moses encountered Nuriel in the 2nd Heaven. When he issues from the side of Hesed (kindness), Nuriel manifests in the form of an eagle, an eagle that, when issuing from the side of Geburah (force), is Uriel. In *The Book of Protection*, Nuriel is characterized as a "spell-binding power" and is grouped with Michael, Shamshiel, Seraphiel, and other great angels. According to *The Zohar* I, Nuriel governs Virgo. He is 300 parasangs tall and has a retinue of 50 myriads of angels "all fashioned out of water and fire." The height of Nuriel is exceeded only by the erelim; by the watchers; by Af and Hemah; and of course by Metatron, who is the tallest hierarch in heaven—excepting, perhaps, Hadraniel and Anafiel. In gnostic lore, Nuriel is one of 7 subordinates to Jehuel, prince of fire. [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 306 and V, 418.] As a charm for warding off evil, Nuriel is also effective. His name is found engraved on oriental amulets, as noted by Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.

N'Zuriel Yhwh—one of the 8 highest ranking angel princes of the Merkabah, all of whom, it seems, occupy stations superior to Metatron. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Michael	⊙ ♀		Och
Maehen			
Gabriel	☾ ☰		Phul
Thamain			
Samael	♄ ♀		Phaleg
Maachon			
Raphael	♄ ♀		Ophiel
Reaquie			
Sachuel	♄ ♂		Bethor
Zebul			
Anael	♄ ☾		Hagith
Lagun			
Cassiel	♄ ☿		Abraton
			

The Olympic spirits and angels of the seven planets along with their sigils and other signs.
From Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.



Obaddon—another form for Abaddon. In Klopstock, *The Messiah*, Obaddon is a seraph and companion to Ithuriel (*q.v.*). In canto VII of Klopstock's work, Obaddon is titled the "minister of death." [Cf. this with Abaddon (Apollyon), called in Revelation 9:10 the "angel of the bottomless pit."]

Obizuth—a winged female dragon who is put to flight by the archangel Bazazath (*q.v.*).

Och—in occultism, the angel who governs the sun (but see entry "Angel of the Sun" for other hierarchs designated as rulers of this "planet"). Och gives 600 years of perfect health (if, that is, the invocant lives that long). Och is also ruler of 28 of the 196 Olympian provinces in which Heaven is divided. He is cited as a mineralogist and "prince of alchemy." For Och's sigil, see Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 389. In this work one finds Och credited with ruling 36,536 legions of spirits. For additional mention of Och, see the works of Cornelius Agrippa.

Octinomon (Octinomos)—a "most holy angel of God" invoked in the conjuration of the Reed.

Oertha—angel of the north. "He hath a torch of fire and putteth it to his sides, and they warm the great coldness of him [so] that he freeze not the world." [Rf. *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 176.]

Oethra—one of the 9 angels that "run together throughout heavenly and earthly places." Beliar names these 9 angels to Bartholomew on the latter's inquiry as to their identity. [Rf. *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 177.]

Ofael—a Tuesday angel of the 5th Heaven, invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Ofaniel or **Ofan** (Ofniel, Ophan, Ophaniel, Yahriel)—eponymous chief of the order of ofanim (thrones). Ofaniel is said to exercise dominion over the moon and is sometimes referred to as "the angel of the wheel of the moon." In *3 Enoch*, he has 16 faces, 100 pairs of wings, and 8,466 eyes. He is "one of the 7 exalted throne angels who carry out the commands of the powers." [Rf. *Almadel of Solomon; The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.] "By the ancient sages," says Rashi, commenting on Ezekiel 1:20, "Ophan, prince of this order, is

regarded as identical with Sandalphon." [Rf. glossary to C. D. Ginsburg, *The Essenes and The Kabbalah*.]

Ofanim (Ophanim, literally "wheels," "many-eyed ones")—in Merkabah lore, the ofanim (later called galgallim) are equivalent to the order of thrones. Enoch speaks of the "ofanim of the fiery coals." In *The Zohar*, the ofanim rank higher than the seraphim. In Mirandola's scheme, they are placed 6th in the 9-choir hierarchic order. While Ofaniel is the eponymous head, Rikbiel and Raphael are also denoted chief. The sefira Wisdom is represented, among the angelic hosts, by the ofanim, says Ginsburg, *The Essenes and The Kabbalah*, p. 90. Milton associates the ofanim with the cherubim. [Rf. West, *Milton and the Angels*.]

Ofiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 225.]

Ofniel [Ofaniel]

Og—a descendant of the fallen angels; the son of Ahijah, the grandson of Semyaza, and the brother of Sihon. In Jewish tradition, Og was an Amorite giant slain in the ankle by Moses. In Numbers 21:33, Og is king of Bashan who is delivered into the hands of Israel by God. However, there is a legend that Og was in the Flood and was saved from it by climbing to the roof of the ark. Palit (*q.v.*) is another name for Og. [See Gog and Magog.]

Ogdoas—in gnosticism, the ogdoas constitute a group of the highest heavenly powers. In the view of Basilides, a noted gnostic writer, the ogdoas compose "the world of the great archons." In Hellenic lore, the 8th Heaven is called ogdoas, and is the dwelling place of divine wisdom.

Ohazia—a prince of the face and one of the angelic guards of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 117.]

Oirin—in Chaldean cosmology, angelic watchers over the kingdoms of the earth. (Cf. *irin*.) [Rf. *The Book of the Sacred Magic of Abra-Melin, The Mage*, p. 208.]

Ol—one of the angels of the 12 signs of the zodiac. Ol represents the sign of Leo and is in control of it. He is also regarded as one of the fiery triplicities. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Oldest Angel—the Logos (Reason or the Word) is called by Philo the "oldest Angel, Dominion, God's likeness." [Rf. Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* I, 137, 161–162.]

Olivier—an ex-prince of the order of arch-angels, as noted in Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*. [Rf. Garinet, *History of Magic in France*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* III.]

Olympian Spirits—in the *Arbatel of Magic*, a ritual magic work of the 16th century, the Olympian spirits dwell in the air and in inter-planetary space, each spirit governing a number of the 196 provinces in which the universe is divided. There are (or were) 7 of these great hierarchs: Araton or Aratron, Bethor, Phaleg, Och, Hagith, Ophiel (or Orifiel), Phul. [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.] The Olympian spirits were also known as the Stewards of Heaven.

Omael—an angel who multiplies species, perpetuates races, influences chemists, etc. Omael is (or was) of the order of dominations and is among the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. Whether Omael is fallen or still upright is difficult to determine from the data available. He seems to operate in both domains (Heaven and Hell). [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Omeliel (Omelieli)—one of the 4 angelic names inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 3rd pentacle of Saturn. The circle of evocation (where the name Omeliel occurs) is reproduced in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 54.

Omiel—an angel who "mixed" with mortals before the Deluge, as noted in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Omophorus—in Manicheanism, a "world-supporting angel." He carries the earth on his shoulders, like another Atlas. [See *Splenditenes*.]

On—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, an angel or a divine name invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. In *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, On is a demon invoked in Monday conjurations addressed to Lucifer.

Onafiel—an angel governing the moon, according to Longfellow, *The Golden Legend* (late editions). In earlier editions of this work, the angel governing the moon is given by Longfellow as Gabriel. Onafiel appears to be a coinage of Longfellow's, through his inadvertent transposition of the letters *f* and *n*, in setting down Ofaniel.

Onayepheton (Oneipheton)—the name of a spirit by which God will summon the dead and raise them to life again. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Oniel—perhaps the same as Onoel. Equated with Hutriel (*q.v.*). Oniel is supervisor of the 5th division of Hell, where Ahab dwells, Ahab being one of the few "who have no portion in the world to come." [Rf. *Midrash Konen*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 188; *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua ben Levi*.]

Onoel (Oniel, Hamiel, Haniel, Anael)—in gnostic lore, Onoel is one of the 7 archons. Origen cites him as hostile, a demon, who manifests in the form of an ass. In the list given by Origen, however, Gabriel and Michael are included among the 7 archons. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*; Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* (I, 294); Origen, *Contra Celsum*.]

Onomatath—one of 9 angels that "run together throughout the heavenly and earthly places," as cited in the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, p. 117, where the names of the 9 angels are named by Beliar and revealed to Bartholomew.

Onzo—"a fair angel of God" invoked in the exorcism of Wax. [Rf. *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Ophan—identified by the ancient sages as the angel Sandalphon (*q.v.*).

Ophaniel [Ofaniel]

Ophanim (ofan(n)im)—a term in Hebrew for the order of cherubim (*q.v.*).

Ophiel—one of the 7 Olympian spirits (or one of 14 such spirits). Ophiel rules the planet Mercury. As an angel of the order of powers, he can be invoked. As many as 100,000 legions of lesser spirits are under his command. In Cornelius Agrippa's works, Ophiel's sigil is shown; his name appears also on the Necromantic Bell of Girardius, which is rung to summon the dead. [Rf. Grillo, *Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, fig. 144; the *Arbatel of Magic*.]

Ophiomorphus—in Ophitic (gnostic) lore, the serpent Ophiomorphus is a name for the Hebrew devil Sammael. [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, p. 52.]

Ophis ("serpent")—"head of the rebellious angels"—so described by the Assyrian author Phercies and quoted by Barrett in *The Magus*; also referred to in Butler, *Ritual Magic*. Ophis was revered by the ophites as a symbol of divine wisdom who, in the form of a serpent, befriended Adam and Eve in Eden, persuading them to eat of the forbidden fruit (as a service to man). In Barrett, *The Magus* II (opposite p. 46), Ophis is pictured as a demon.

Opiel—an angel invoked in love charms, according to Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*.

Or—a great angel invoked in exorcism rites, specifically in the invocation at fumigation, as noted in *Grimorium Verum*.

Orael—one of the intelligences of the planet Saturn.

Oraios (Oreus)—in gnosticism, one of the 7 archons that figure in the Ophitic system. [Rf. *Catholic Encyclopedia*, "Gnosticism."]

Oranir—chief prince of the 9 angels of the summer equinox, and effective as an amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Ore'a—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.



Toome's conception of an angel of the order of cherubim. From Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.

Oreus (Oraios, Horaiois)—in Phoenician mythology, one of the 7 elohim (angels) of the divine presence, creators of the universe. According to Irenaeus, Oreus is one of the 7 archons in the Ophitic system. Origen, *Contra Celsum*, believes that the name Oreus derives from the art of magic.

Oriares (Narel)—an angel governing the season of winter.

Oribel—variant for Uriel as one of the angels reprobated by Pope Zachary in 745 C.E. [Rf. Hugo, *The Toilers of the Sea*; Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Oriel (Auriel, "light of God")—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels; also one of the angelic rulers of the 10th hour during daylight. In *Malache Elyon*, Oriel is called the angel of destiny. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Orifel [Orifiel]

Orifiel (Oriphiel, Orifel, Orfiel, Orphiel)—in Pope Gregory's listing, Orifiel is one of the 7 archangels. Elsewhere he is cited a prince of the order of thrones and (in Cornelius Agrippa, *The Third Book of Philosophy*) an angel with dominion over the planet Saturn. In Hebrew cabala, according to Eliphas Levi, Orifiel, like Saturn, is the angel of the wilderness. In Waite, *The Lemegeton*, Orphiel (so spelt) is one of the 7 regents of the world and an angel of the 2nd hour of the day serving under Anael. In Paracelsus' doctrine of Talismans, Orifiel is a chief Talisman and replaces one of the planetary genii of Egypt. Orifiel is also cited here as an angel of Saturday. In secular lore, Longfellow, *The Golden Legend*, gives Orfiel as the angel governing the planet Saturn, although, in the 1st edition of this work, the angel is given as Anachiel. Orifiel appears as a character in Remy de Gourmont's play *Lilith*. In Cabell, *The Devil's Own Dear Son*, he is a "time-serving archangel." [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 317.]

Origin of Angels—angels were conceived of as existing before the creation of the world (Job

38:7; Ambrose in "Ministrations and Communion with Angels"; Origen; *Ketab Tamin* 59; *Yalkut Hadash* 11b). In later Judaism, angels are said to have been created on the 1st day of Creation (*The Book of Jubilees* 2:1; *Enoch II*, 29:3; *Baruch III*, 21; Augustine); on the 2nd day of Creation (*Bereshith Rabba* 1:5; *Pirke Rabbi Eliezer*, 3; *Enoch II*; *Targum Yerushalmi*; Rabbi Jochanan; Isaac of Corbeil); on the 4th day of Creation (Ibn Anas); and on the 5th day of Creation (*Genesis Rabbah*, Rabbi Haninah). No authorities have thus far come to light favoring the 3rd day of Creation.

Oriockh (Ariukh)—in *Enoch II*, God instructs his 2 angels, Oriockh and Mariockh, to guard the books authored by Enoch. The name Orioc is found in Genesis 14:1 and 9; also in Daniel 2:14, but not as the name of an angel.

Orion—in Klopstock, *The Messiah*, Orion is St. Peter's guardian angel. Eliphas Levi finds an identity between Orion and Michael. [Rf. Semenza for a symbolic connection between that fallen seraph and the constellation called Orion (the hunter) by the Greeks.]

Oriphiel [Orifiel]

Ormael—an angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Ormary—an angel of the 11th hour of the day, serving under Bariel.

Ormas—an angel of the 10th hour of the day, serving under Uriel.

Ormazd (Ormuzd)—in Zoroastrian lore, the supreme power of good, the prince of light and twin brother of Ahriman, the latter being prince of darkness and evil; both are supreme, each in his own realm. This dualism was rejected by Jews and Christians alike in their espousal of monotheism, where evil exists only on the sufferance of God. Ormazd is sometimes represented as a bearded man attended by angels.

Ormijel—angel of the 4th hour of the day, serving under Vachmiel.

Ormisiel—angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under Farris.

Oroiael—in gnostic lore, one of 4 great luminaries identified with Uriel or Raguel by Irenaeus. [Rf. *Apocryphon of John*.]

Oromasim—one of the 3 princes of the world, the other 2 being Araminem and Mitrim, according to *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Orphaniel—in occult lore, “a great, precious and honorable angel, ruler of the 1st legion.” His star is Luna. He is invoked in Monday conjurations. [Rf. *The Ancient’s Book of Magic*; *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Orphiel [Orifiel]

Orus (or Horus)—a fallen angel in Milton’s *Paradise Lost* I, 478.

Osael—a Tuesday angel resident of the 5th Heaven. He is invoked from the south. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Oseny—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a cherub (also called a seraph) summoned in ceremonial magic.

Osgaebial—an angelic ruler of the 8th hour of the day; he commands “a great cloud of attending spirits.” [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Osiris—a fallen angel in *Paradise Lost* I, 478. Milton derived him from Egyptian mythology, where Osiris, a great divinity and husband of Isis, is slain by his brother Typhon.

Otheos—“a most holy name invoked for discovering treasure,” according to Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*. In *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, Otheos is a spirit of the earth used by cabalists in conjuring rites.

Othriel—a spirit invoked in magical operations. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angélogologie*.]

Otmon—in Merkabah lore, a name for Metatron “when he seals the guilty in Israel.” [Rf. *3 Enoch*, 43.]

Ou—variant for Uriel. The angel Ou appears in *The War Between the Sons of Light and the Sons*

of Darkness, a copy of which was found among the recently discovered Dead Sea scrolls.

Ouestucati—a female angel of an hour who comes from the Hesperides and brings the sea wind. She is called “the lady of the chaste hands” by H.D. (Hilda Doolittle) in the latter’s poem “Sagesse.” In the cabala, Ouestucati is the corresponding angel of Iehuiiah (q.v.).

Oul—a special aide to the angel Dalquiel in the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angélogologie*.]

Oumriel—angel of service residing in the 4th Heaven. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angélogologie*.]

Ourpahil (Ourpail)—an angel in Mandaean tradition. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Ouza (Uzza)—in the *Midrash Petirat Mosheh*, which contains a dialogue between God and the soul of Moses, God is reminded that “the angels Ouza and Azael came down from Heaven and were corrupted [through cohabiting with the daughters of men], but that Moses was not corrupted,” the reason for Moses remaining pure was that, after God had revealed Himself to the Lawgiver, the latter abstained from intimacy with his wife. In Exodus 19: 15, it will be recalled, husbands were exhorted to “come not at your wives” so as to keep themselves clean preparatory to meeting with their Lord on the mount. All this seems inconsistent with the traditional and prevailing belief among Jews that conjugal union, far from being a contaminating act, is a holy one, blessed by the Shekinah herself.

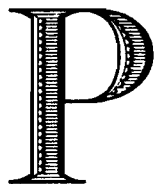
Overseer of Light—the angel Jeu (q.v.).

Overshadowing Cherub—the king Nebuchadnezzar or the Prince of Tyre was called the “overshadowing cherub” (Ezekiel 28:16). He is slain by God. [Rf. “Select Demonstrations of Aphrahat” in *Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers*, vol. 13, p. 355.]

Ozah (Uzah)—one of the many names of the angel Metatron in *Sefer ha-Heshek* listing.



Christopher Beeston's conception of an angel of the order of powers. From Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.



Pa'aziel—in *3 Enoch*, a name for the angel Metatron.

Pabael—one of the spirit messengers of the moon. Probably the same as Pabel.

Pabel—an angel of the 4th Heaven ruling on Lord's Day. Pabel must be invoked when the invocant faces west. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*.]

Pachdiel ("fear")—chief angelic guard of the 4th Heaven, according to a listing in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Pachriel—one of the 7 great angels appointed over the 7 Heavens, as cited in *3 Enoch*, 17. Every one of these angels, including Pachriel, "is accompanied by 496,000 myriads of ministering angels."

Padael (Phadihel)—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind, as cited in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Padiel (Phadihel)—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels named in *The Book of the Angel*

Raziel. Padiel is the angel who appeared to Samson's parents (see *Jewish Quarterly Review*, 1898, p. 328). [Rf. Judges 13.]

Paffran—in occultism, a Tuesday angel of the air, serving under the rule of Samax.

Pagiel—an angel petitioned in ritual prayer for fulfilment of the invocant's desires. Pagiel is cited, along with other "great and glorious spirits," in Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.

Pahadiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed in the 7th heavenly hall.

Pahadron—in Jewish mysticism, the chief angel of terror. Pahadron governs the month of Tishri (September-October). [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 99.]

Pahaliah—an angel invoked to convert heathens to Christianity. He rules theology and morals and is one of the angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. Pahaliah's corresponding angel is Sothis. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 264.]

Paimon (Paymon, “tinkling sound”)—before he fell, Paimon was an angel of the order of dominations. In Hell he is a great king, obedient only to Lucifer. Under Paimon are 200 legions of spirits “part of them of the order of angels, part potentates [powers].” When invoked he appears in the form of a young woman mounted on a dromedary, with a crown upon his head, as he is pictured in *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 ed.), p. 521. On special invocations he is accompanied by 2 great princes of the underworld, Bebal and Abalam, according to Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia*. For Paimon’s sigil, see Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 168.

Palalael—to be distinguished from Palaliel, both serving as angelic guards of the gate of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Palatinates—a term for one of the 9 hierarchic orders; a variant for the order of powers, as given in a spell or conjuration in *The Greater Key of Solomon* for conferring the gift of invisibility on the conjuror. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, p. 161.]

Palit (“the escaped”)—in Jewish legend, Palit is a name for Michael when Michael escaped from the grip of Sammael (Satan) at the time the latter was hurled from Heaven. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 231.] The *Midrash Tehillim* gives Og as another name for Palit. Still another form, Praklit, appears in *Rabbinic Philosophy and Ethics*.

Palpeltiyah—one of the many names of Metatron.

Paltellon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 94.]

Paltriel—an angelic guard of the 5th Heaven, as listed in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Pammon—angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemington*, p. 69.]

Panael—one of the angelic guards of the North Wind. He is to be distinguished from Paniel, another angel in the same service. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Panaion—in the view of Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition* (p. 63), Panaion is “possibly another name for Metatron.” Rabbi Ishmael in *Lesser Hechaloth* speaks of seeing “Panaion the Archon, one of the highest servants, and he stands before the throne of glory.”

Pancia—a “most pure angel” invoked in ceremonial magic, specifically in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Paniel—an angel’s name found engraved on a charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. A guard of the North Wind. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Papsukul—in Chaldean lore, an angelic messenger of the greater gods. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 120.] Possibly a variant for Papukkal.

Paradise—in his *Adversus haereses* I, i, Irenaeus quotes the gnostic Valentinians: “They say that Paradise, which is above the 3rd Heaven [i.e., in the 4th Heaven] is virtually a 4th angel.” The *Apocalypse of Moses* locates Paradise in the 3rd Heaven, as does *Enoch II*. [Rf. Newbold, “The Descent of Christ in the Odes of Solomon,” *Journal of Biblical Literature*, December 1912.]

Paraqlitos (Paraclete)—in the *Falasha Anthology*, the guardian angel of the sorrows of death.

Parasiel—an angelic name inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 1st pentacle of the planet Jupiter. Parasiel is lord and master of treasures. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 56.]

Parasim (Parashim)—an order of angels or celestial horsemen [Cf. Pegasus] of the Song-Uttering Choirs, under the leadership of Tagas or Radueriel. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.] “When, it is said, the time comes for the recital of the divine song—the qedusha—the parashim ‘do rage’ in the general commotion and excitement of the occasion.”

Parasurama—the 6th of the 10 avatars (divine incarnations) in Vedic theosophy. Parasurama was known also as Chirangivah the Immortal.

Pariel—an angel’s name inscribed on an oriental

Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Pariukh (Mariokh)—one of 2 angels (the other is Ariukh) appointed by God to serve as guardian of the Enoch literature. [Rf. *Enoch II* and *3 Enoch*.]

Parmiel—angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Veguaniel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 67.]

Parshiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Partashah—one of the many names of Lilith. [Rf. Hanauer, *Folk-Lore of the Holy Land*, p. 325.]

Partsaf (pl. partsufim or parzupheim, "the godhead")—in cabalistic lore, Partsuf is the countenance of God inherent in the sefiroth. The 5 chief partsufim who "dwell in the world of aziluth" are: 1. Ariukh Anpin (long face or long suffering) or Attika Kaddisha (holy ancient one); 2. Abba (the partsuf of Hochma or Wisdom); 3. Imma (the partsuf of Binah or Understanding), who is a feminine manifestation; 4. Zeir Anpin (the Impatient, the Holy One); 5. Shekinah (another female, counterpart of God). [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*; Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*.]

Parvardigar—angel of light in ancient Persian theogony. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 15.] In Arabic lore, the angel of light was Rab-un-maw.

Parymel—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, an angel of the throne invoked in conjuring rites. He is one of 15 such angels. For their names, see Appendix.

Parziel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven, according to a listing in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Paschar (Psachar)—one of the 7 exalted throne angels "which execute the commands of the potentates," as reported in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. Also cited in de Abano, *The Heptameron*; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*; and Cornelius Agrippa's works. In the *Pirke Hechaloth*, Paschar is one of the 7 angelic guards of the curtain or veil of the 7th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim I*, 110.]

Pasiel—in ceremonial magic, the angel that exercises dominion over the zodiacal sign of Pisces (the fishes). In Jewish cabala, Pasiel is the angel of Hell (*arka*)—that is, he is ruler over Abaddon, the 6th lodge of the 7 divisions into which Hell is divided, according to Joseph ben Abraham Gikatilla.

Pasisiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Paspasim—in hechaloth lore, an angel who assists Metatron (*q.v.*) in reciting the *Shema*. [Rf. *3 Enoch*, introd.]

Pastor—an angel petitioned in magic conjurations for the fulfillment of the invocant's desires. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Pasuy—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 4th heavenly hall.

Patha (Pathiel)—an angel invoked at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Pathatumon (Pathtumon, Patheon, Pathumaton)—in Solomonic invocations, a name for God; a name Moses invoked to cause darkness to fall over Egypt; a name Solomon used to bind demons. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Patheon [Pathatumon]

Pathiel ("the opener"; see Patha)—In *Ozar Midrashim* (I, 106), Pathiel is one of the angels that bear the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Patriarchs—in the glossary to Vol. 2 of the 5-vol. 1956 Soncino *Zohar*, it is said that all Jewish patriarchs are transformed into great angels on their arrival in Paradise (as was specifically the case of Enoch and Elijah) and constitute one of the 3 highest grades in the celestial hierarchy. Not so, says *Universal Jewish Encyclopedia* (I, 314), which claims that such a belief was never part of Jewish thought.

Patrozin—an angel of the 5th hour of the night, under the rule of Abasdarhon. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Patspetsiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Patteny—a ministering angel summoned in cabalistic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Paula (fictional)—a female angel mentioned in Daniels, *Clash of Angels*.

Pazriel (Sidriel)—in *3 Enoch*, one of the great archangels and prince of the 1st Heaven, sharing the post with Gabriel, Sabrael, Asrulyu, and others.

Peacock Angel, The [Taus-Melek]

Pedael ("whom God delivers")—in Jewish mysticism, the angel of deliverance. [Rf. Abelson, *Jewish Mysticism*, p. 127.]

Pedenij—an angel of the Seal, as recorded in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Peliel—chief of the order of virtues and the preceptor angel of Jacob. Peliel alternates with Zekuniel as 2nd of the 10 holy sefiroth (*q.v.*). [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*; also the tracts of Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria.]

Penac—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven, as cited in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Penael—in de Abano's occultism, a Friday angel residing in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the north. He is also one of the messengers of the planet Venus. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*; Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Penarys—angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving under Sarquamich. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Penat—a Friday angel residing in the 3rd Heaven (like Penael) and one of the intelligences of the planet Venus.

Penatiel—an angel of the 12th hour of the day, serving under Beratiel.

Pendroz—an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion.

Peneal—an angel serving in the 3rd Heaven.

Peneme [Penemue]

Penemue ("the inside")—in Enoch lore, one of the fallen angels who "taught mankind the art of writing with ink and paper," an art which was condemned as evil and corrupting. Penemue also taught "the children of men the bitter and the sweet and the secrets of their wisdom." He is one of the curers of stupidity in man, and is mentioned in *Bereshith Rabba*. Variants: Penemuel, Tamuel, Tamel, Tumacl.

Peniel ("face of God"; see Penuel, Fanuel)—in the writings of Moses Botarel, de Abano, Barrett, etc., Peniel is the angel Jehovah, the dark antagonist, the one who wrestled with Jacob [Rf. Genesis 32.] It should be noted that *The Zohar* identifies the antagonist as Sammael. In the cabala generally, Peniel is a Friday angel, resident of the 3rd Heaven, and (like Penemue) a curer of human stupidity. In Genesis, Peniel is a place—the hallowed place where God revealed himself to Jacob face to face.

Penitent Angel, The [Abbadona]

Penpalabim—a "most holy angel" invoked in the conjuration for hidden treasure. [Rf. *Verum Jesuitarum Libellus*; Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Penuel [Peniel]

Peor [Chemos]

Peri—in Arabic lore, the Peri are fallen angels under the sovereignty of Eblis. In Persian myth, they are beautiful but malevolent spirits, also fairylike beings begotten by fallen angels and excluded from Paradise until penance is accomplished. Mohammed, it is said, sought to convert them. [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Periel—a name for Metatron in the enumeration of more than 100 of his names listed in *3 Enoch*, 43.

Permaz—an angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under Farris. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Permiel—an angel of the 4th hour of the day, serving under Vachmiel.

Perrier—an ex-prince of the order of princi-



A **peri** (Persian angel) of the 16th century. Miniature, from *Horizon*, November 1960.

palities. [Rf. Garinet, *History of Magic in France*; De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* III.]

Pesagniyah—in *The Zohar* (Exodus 201b), a supervisory angel of the south in charge of the keys of the ethereal spaces. When prayers of persons in deep sorrow ascend, Pesagniyah kisses such prayers and accompanies them to a higher region.

Pesak—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Peshtvogner—in Gurdjieff, *All and Everything*, *Beelzebub's Tales to his Grandson*, Peshtvogner is an arch-cherub whose title or other name is "All-Quarters-Maintainer." He decrees the sprouting of horns on the head of Beelzebub.

Petahel—a "most holy angel" invoked in magical rites at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 520; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Petahyah—in *The Zohar* (Exodus 201b), the chief in charge of the northernly region of Heaven, "appointed over that side to which prayers offered for deliverance from enemies ascend." If such prayers are found worthy, "Petahyah kisses them."

Phadahel [Phadihel]

Phadihel (Padael)—in Jewish legend, the angel sent to Manoah's wife (who conceived and bore Samson). [Rf. *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*.] He is also said to be the angel that appeared to Abraham, Jacob, and Gideon (Genesis 32:29; Judges 13:3-18; Luke 13:34).

Phaiar—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Phakiel—with another genius named Rahdar, Phakiel controls the sign of the Crab in the zodiac. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic; Prince of Darkness*, p. 177.]

Phaldor—genius of oracles. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Phalec (Phaleg)—ruling prince of the order of angels. Phalec is also the governing spirit of the planet Mars (and hence often referred to, as he is by Cornelius Agrippa, as the war lord). Of the 106 Olympic Provinces, Phalec has dominion over 35. His d. y., for invocation, is Tuesday. According to Agrippa, Heaven has 196 provinces, with 7 supreme angels governing them, of whom Phalec is one. The sigil of Phalec is given in Budge,

Amulets and Talismans, p. 389. In white magic, Phaleg is one of the 7 stewards of Heaven.

Phalgus—as noted in Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, Phalgus is the genius of judgment. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, he is the genius of the 4th hour of the day.

Phamael (Phanuel)—this “corrupt” spelling of Phanuel occurs in *Baruch III*.

Phanuel (Uriel, Raguel, Fanuel, Ramiel, etc.—“face of God”)—the archangel of penance and one of the 4 angels of the presence, the other 3, as usually given, being Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. In *Enoch I* Phanuel “fends off the Satans” and forbids them “to come before the Lord of spirits to accuse them who dwell on earth.” Phanuel is also identified as the Shepherd in the *Shepherd of Hermas*. In *Enoch I* (40) Phanuel is equated with Uriel. Says Charles: “In the later Judaism we find Uriel instead of Phanuel,” that is, as one of the 4 angels of the presence. In *IV Ezra*, Phanuel is equated with Ramiel (Jeremiel) or Hieremihel, or Eremiel (the last named in the *Apocalypse of Sophonias*). In the *Sibylline Oracles* he is “one of the 5 angels who know all the evils that men have wrought.” As Phaniel, our angel is invoked, in an early Hebrew amulet, against evil spirits. [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 161; *Baruch III*.] In Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*, we find Phanuel identified with Uriel. Ethiopians celebrate a holy day of the “archangel Fanuel” on the 3rd day of Taxsas. [Rf. *Falasha Anthology*.]

Pharmaros [Armaros]

Pharniel—an angel of the 12th hour of the day, serving under Beratiel.

Pharzuph—genius of fornication, angel of lust. The meaning of the word in Hebrew is “two-faced” or “hypocritical.” See Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, where Pharzuph is one of the genii of the 4th hour. In *Bereshith Rabba* it is the “angel of lust” (not named) that presents itself to Judah at the crossroads in order to entice the patriarch to “observe” his daughter-in-law Tamar and to mate with her (Genesis 38). [See *Angel of Lust*; Schiekron.]

Phatiel—angel of the 5th hour of the night, serving under Abasdarhon.

Phenex (Phenix, Phoenix, Pheynix)—an angel now serving in Hell who “hopes to return to the 7th throne after 1,200 years,” as he confided to King Solomon. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.] In the nether regions Phenex is a great marquis, a poet, and commands 20 legions of spirits. Spence, *Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, reports that Phenex was formerly of the order of thrones and that this “was proved after infinite research.” In *Baruch III*, 6, the phoenix is the bird that circles before the sun to receive the rays on its outspread wings so as to preserve living things from being consumed. It is the same bird that awakens from slumber all the cocks on earth. A parallel may be cited (in Indian lore) in the bird Gadura “who carried Aruna on its back and placed him in front of the sun where he acted as charioteer and screened the world from the sun’s consuming rays.”

Phinehas—in Judges 2:1, “the angel of the Lord [who] came up from Gilgal” and whose countenance “when the Holy Ghost rested upon it, glowed like a torch.” [Rf. *Midrash Leviticus Rabba I*, et seq.]

Phoenixes—in Enoch lore, the Phoenixes and the Chalkydri are angels of a high order, classed with the seraphim and cherubim. They are described as “elements of the sun” and as attending the chariot of that “planet” (in early occult and apocryphal writings the sun was classed as a planet, one of 7). The Phoenixes, like the Chalkydri, dwelt in the 4th or 6th Heaven, and were 12-winged. *Enoch II*, 19, speaks of 7 phoenixes sighted in the 6th Heaven, where their song, with which they greeted the rising of the sun, was celebrated for its sweetness. Their color, according to Pliny, was purple. “To such creatures in literature,” writes Charles in his note to chapter 12 of *Enoch II*, “this seems to be the only reference”—i.e., the only reference to these creatures jointly as angels. Dr. K. Kohler in “The pre-Talmudic Haggada” (*Jewish Quarterly Review*, 1893, pp. 399–419), quoting from an old mishna, *Massecheth Derech Eretz*, calls to mind a legend that the phoenixes



"The Pillared Angel" by Dürer illustrating Revelation 10:1-5, "And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud . . . and his feet as pillars of fire." From Willi Kurth, *The Complete Woodcuts of Albrecht Dürer*. New York: Dover Publications, 1963.

referred to, in Enoch, were of a class of birds that went alive into Paradise. [Cf. sun birds in *Baruch III.*]

Phorlakh (Furlac)—angel of earth. The name Phorlakh is found inscribed on the 7th pentacle of the sun. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon.*]

Phorsiel—angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa.

Phronesis ("prudence")—in gnosticism, one of 4 luminaries emanated from the divine will. [Rf. Eleleth.]

Phul (Phuel)—lord of the moon and ruler of 7 of the Olympian Provinces. As a Monday angel, Phul is to be invoked only on Monday. In the cabalistic works of Cornelius Agrippa, Phul's sigil is given. There he is called "lord of the powers of the moon and supreme lord of the waters." [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 389, for Phul's sigil.]

Pi-Hermes—equated with the angel Raphael. In hermetics, Pi-Hermes is the genius of Mercury and head of the order of archangels. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic I*, 68.]

Pihon—a name for the angel Metatron "when opening the doors through which the prayers of men are admitted into the celestial abode." Metatron is called Sigron when he shuts the doors. [Rf. introd., 3 *Enoch.*]

Pi-Joh (Pi-Ioh)—equated with Gabriel. In hermetics, Pi-Joh is the genius of the moon and head of the order of angels.

Pilael—one of numerous angels guarding the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim II*, 316.]

Pillared Angel—the angel "clothed with a cloud" (Revelation 9). He has one foot on the sea, the other on land; with his right hand he supports Heaven, swearing "time shall be no more." The passage is illustrated in a woodcut in the Cologne Bible.

Pilot Angel—in the *Purgatorio*, an unnamed angel called by Dante "God's angel"

ferries souls destined for Purgatory from the south of the Tiber. It is this angel who greets Dante and Virgil at the start of their journey.

Pi-Ré—equated with Michael. In hermetics, one of the 7 planetary genii (archangels) and head of the order of virtues.

Pisqon—one of the many names of the angel Metatron. [See Appendix.]

Pistis Sophia ("faith," "wisdom")—a female aeon, one of the greatest in gnostic lore. She is said to have procreated "the superior angels." It was Pistis Sophia who sent the serpent to entice Adam and Eve. [Rf. Mead, *Pistis Sophia.*] According to the *Texts of the Saviour*, she is the daughter of Barbelo (q.v.).

Pi-Zeus—genius of Jupiter and head of the order of dominations. [See Zachariel.]

Plague of Evil Angels—according to Rabbi Eliezer, of the plagues visited on the ancient Egyptians, one was the "Plague of Evil Angels." Rabbi Akiba also spoke of this plague and called it "the fifth plague." [Rf. *Form of Services for the First Two Nights of Passover*, Hebrew Publishing Co., New York, 1921.]

Plesithea—in gnosticism, the "mother of angels," a virgin pictured with 4 breasts. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics.*]

Pniel—in geonic lore, an angel who exercises rulership over one of the months of the year. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 99.]

Poiel—an angel of the order of principalities. He rules over fortune and philosophy; he is also one of the 72 angels of the zodiac. His corresponding angel is Themeso. Barrett, *The Magus II*, lists Poiel as one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

Porna—a Friday angel serving in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron; The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Poro—an angel of the order of powers, invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Porosa—a Friday angel of the 3rd Heaven, like Porna, invoked from the south. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Posriel (Hadriel?)—an angel in charge of the 6th division of Hell. It is in this division of the underworld that the prophet Micah may be found. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews IV*, 53, and VI, 214.]

Poteh (Purah)—the prince (*sar*, angel) of forgetting. Poteh is invoked in necromantic rites by Jews at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Potentates—an alternate term for the order of powers. In *Paradise Lost V*, Milton speaks of "Seraphim and Potentates and Thrones."

Powers (potentates, authorities, dynamis)—the Septuagint first applied the term powers (*dynamis*) to an angelic order, equivalent to the Greek concept of the Lord's Hosts. [Rf. Caird, *Principalities and Powers*, p. 11.] Dionysius placed the powers 3rd in the 2nd triad of the celestial hierarchy; he equated the powers (incorrectly) with the seraphim. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.] According to Fludd, Sammael is chief of the order of powers, although Camael is commonly so designated. In hermetics, the chief is Ertosi. The principal task of the powers is to see to it that order is imposed on the heavenly pathways. "The powers," says Dionysius, "stop the efforts of demons who would overthrow the world." In Pope Gregory's view, the powers preside over demons. Philo Judaeus classified the 6 highest powers in the following manner: divine logos, creative power, sovereign power, mercy, legislation, and punitive power. St. Paul's references in the various Epistles denote that, to this Apostle to the Gentiles, the powers are (or could be) evil. In *Excerpts of Theodotus*, the powers are said to be "the first of created angels." Milton in *Paradise Lost XI*, 221, uses the term as the equivalent of the order of guards (XII, 590).

Powers of Glory—a term for angels in *The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs* (Judah 25), where it is equated with the angel of the presence, the sun, moon, and stars, as one of the heavenly luminaries.

Prajapati—to be compared with the Rishis who are, it is said, the 7 or 10 Vedic spirits from whom all mankind is descended. They are also to be compared with the 7 angels of the presence and the 7 (or 6) amesha spentas in Zoroastrian lore.

Praklit [Palit]

Pralimiel—an angel of the 11th hour of the day serving under Bariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Pravuil (Vretil)—designated as the "scribe of the knowledge of the Most High" and as "keeper of the heavenly books and records." [See Radueriel.] According to *Enoch II*, 22:11, Pravuil is "quicker in wisdom than the other archangels." He is mentioned only once in the Enoch writings.

Praxil—an officer angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under Farris (*q.v.*). [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Preceptor Angels—in Jewish cabala, each of the great patriarchs had his special angelic counselor and guide, viz.: Adam: Raziel; Shem: Jophiel (Yophiel); Noah: Zaphkiel; Abraham: Zidekiel (Zadkiel); Isaac: Raphael (also preceptor angel of Toby the Younger); Joseph, Joshua, and Daniel: Gabriel; Jacob: Peliel (Pehel); Moses: Metatron; Elijah: Malashiel or Maltiel (Elijah himself became an angel: Sandalphon); Samson: Camael (Gamael); David: Cerviel (Gerviel, Gernaiul); Solomon: Michael.

Preil—an angel (called "le grand") in Mandaeen lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khoubir*.]

Prenostix—angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash.

Primeumaton—a spirit invoked in the exorcism of water. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] "By this name [Primeumaton] Moses caused hail in Egypt" and "swallowed Corah,

Dathan and Abiram." [Rf. Numbers 16:16; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Prince of Alchemy [Och]

Prince of Angels—usually Christ, as in "princeps angelorum," an expression used by Lactantius.

Prince of Cherubim—Cherubiel and/or Gabriel; but also, originally, Satan. [Rf. Parente, *The Angels*, p. 47.]

Prince of Conception [Lailah]

Prince of Darkness—in Jewish legendary lore, the prince of darkness is the prince (angel) of death, who is Satan. He is also Belial (*q.v.*).

Prince of Death—in the infernal regions the prince of death is (in occult writings) Eurononymous, bearer of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Fly; but the prince of death is, first and foremost, Satan. [Rf. Hebrews 2:14–15.]

Princedoms—another term for the order of principalities. [Cf. Milton's *Paradise Lost* V: "Thrones, Dominations, Princedom," etc.]

Prince of the Face—otherwise prince of the presence. Among the great hierarchs answering to this title are Michael, Akatriel, Fanuel (Phanuel), Raziel, Uriel, Metatron, Yefefiah, Suriel, Sandalphon, etc.

Prince of Fire—Nathanel, called "lord of fire." [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15.] Jehuel is also referred to as prince of fire. In the infernal empire, the prince of fire is Pluto. [See also Atuniel; *Grimorium Verum*, and other goetic tracts.]

Prince of Hades (or Prince of Hell)—Raphael, so called in *The Book of Enoch*, 22. As "presider over Tartarus," Uriel would qualify here. [See also Negarsanel; Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 71.]

Prince of Heavenly Hosts [Michael]

Prince of Light—Michael, so characterized in the Dead Sea scroll, *War of the Sons of Light against the Sons of Darkness*. *The Manual of Discipline* speaks of the prince of light who, in man,

contends constantly with the angel of darkness (i.e., the spirit of perversion). He is Uriel, according to Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.

Prince of Peace (Angel of Peace)—the title is usually associated with Jesus; but it has also been applied to Melchisedec (*q.v.*).

Prince of Persia—Dubbiel, who was worsted in battle with Michael [Rf. Daniel 10:13].

Prince of the Power of the Air—according to Paul, Ephesians 1, the title applies to Satan; but it applies also to Wormwood, Meririm, and other spirits of comparable stature.

Prince of the Presence [Angel of the Presence]

Prince of the Time of Iniquity—Satan is so characterized in the *Epistle of Barnabas*.

Prince of the World—a designation for Metatron (*q.v.*).

Prince of this World—in the Fourth Gospel, Jesus calls Satan the "prince of this world" (John 12:31). Loisy, *The Birth of the Christian Religion*, speaks of the prince of this world as having "the function of the principalities and powers spoken of in the Epistles; but [that] his character is perceptibly different." In his *Kabbalistic Conclusions*, Mirandola wrote: "The letters of the name of the evil demon who is the prince of this world are the same as those of the name of God Tetragrammaton—and he who knows how to effect their transposition can extract one from the other."

Principalities (or Princedom)s—one of the 9 orders of the celestial hierarchy and usually ranked 1st in the 3rd triad. The principalities are protectors of religion; they also, as Dionysius declares, "watch over the leaders of people" and presumably inspire them to make right decisions. According to Barrett, *The Magus*, the principalities "are called by the Hebrews *elohim*"—which is a doubtful equivalent. The chief ruling angels of the order include Requel, Anael, (Haniel), Cerviel, Nisroc. The last-named is characterized by Milton in *Paradise Lost* VI, 447 as "of principalities the prime." In Egyptian hermetics, the head of the order of principalities is Suroth. [Rf. Christian,

The History and Practice of Magic, vol. I, p. 68.] As far back as the 2nd century C.E., St. Ignatius Martyr (d. 107), touching on the ranks of angels in "Epistle to the Trallians," spoke of the "hierarchy of principalities."

Principals—in the gnostic *Paraphrase of Shem*, 3 principals (or primordial powers) are listed: Light, Darkness, and "An Intermediary Spirit." [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 151.]

Prion—a "high, holy angel of God" invoked in magical rites, specifically in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 175; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 116.]

Procel [Crocell]

Progenie of Light—a term used for angels, as in Milton's *Paradise Lost* V, 600.

Pronoia—in gnosticism, a great archon or power who, according to legend, assisted God in fashioning Adam. Pronoia provided the nerve tissue. [Rf. *Apocryphon of John*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, pp. 204–205.] The Arabic legend of God sending 4 great angels to fetch 7 handfuls of earth for the creation of Adam has been referred to in the entry under Israfel. The Iranians believed that each of the planets (and here Pronoia is regarded as one of these planets) had a hand in fashioning our first parent. Bar-Khonia affirms that "this myth had been borrowed from the Chaldeans." [See Pthahil.]

Propator—an aeon who remains motionless on the constellation of the chariot (the Merkabah). Propator is master of the Pole and is surrounded by his decans and myriads of angels. He is designated pro-Father and the aeon who dwells in the zenith of Heaven with the aeon Sophia beside him. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Protoctist Angels—the first "operating angels" responsible for delivering the Torah to man through the lesser angels. [Rf. Clement of Alexandria, *Prophetic Eclogues*; Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*.]

Pruel—an angelic guard of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Pruflas—a fallen angel, formerly of the order of thrones and partly also of the order of angels. [Rf. Wierus, *Pseudo-Monarchia Daemonium*.]

Prukiel—an angel invoked in Syriac charms, along with Michael, Gabriel, Harshiel, and other spellbinding angels, as cited in *The Book of Protection*.

Prunicos—in Ophitic (gnostic) lore, the supreme celestial power, by some called Sophia. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 212.]

Prziel—an evil angel employed in conjuring rites against an enemy. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Psachar (Paschar)—one of 7 angelic princes of power, the others being Kalmiya, Boel, Asimor, Gabriel, Sandalphon, Uzziel. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Psdiel—an evil angel employed in conjuring rites against an enemy. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Psisya—in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Psuker—an angel of the 6th Heaven who has Uzziel under him as officiating, ministering angel. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*; West, "The Names of Milton's Angels," *Studies in Philology* XLVII (April 1950), p. 220.]

Psyche—in gnosticism, the name of Valentinus' demiurge (*q.v.*).

Psychopomp(us)—Elijah (Sandalphon) in Paradise is the psychopomp who leads the pious to their appointed places. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*, p. 589; cf. Hermes Psychopompus in Greek mythology.]

Psychopompoi—soul-escorting angels (with Elijah-Sandalphon at their head) who accompany the souls after bodily death toward their heavenly abode. Michael is also regarded as a guide of the psychopompoi.

Pthahil—the Mandaeen demiourgos; an angel ruling the lesser stars; said to have been an “assistant to the Lord of Life at Creation.” Pthahil created Adam’s body but could not give it life. He is also denoted a prince of evil, seeking support from planets and demons. [See Pronoia.]

Pucel [Crocell]

Purah (Putah, Poteh)—an angel invoked in magical rites at the close of the Sabbath. Isaac Luria associates Purah with Esau-Samuel. In Jewish legendary lore, Purah is the lord of oblivion, the angel of forgetfulness. In Isaac Bashevis Singer’s “Jachid and Jechidah,” one of the tales in his *Short Friday* (1964), Purah is described as an angel “who dissipates God’s light.”

Puriel [Puruel]

Purson (Pursan, Curson)—before he fell, Purson was an angel of the order of virtues and partly also of the order of thrones. This fact, reports Spence in *Encyclopaedia of Occultism* (p. 119), “was proved after infinite research.” Be that as it may, Purson is now a king in the nether regions with 22 legions of spirits to do his bidding. His appearance is that of “a man with a lion’s face, carrying a viper in his hand and astride a bear.” He knows the past and future, and can discover hidden treasure. The seal of Purson is figured in Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 201.

Puruel (Pusiel, “fire”)—the “fiery and pitiless” angel who “probes the soul,” as described in the apocalyptic *Testament of Abraham*. G. H. Box in his

edition of this work believes that Puruel is a Graecized form of the angel Uriel.

Purusha—the cosmic spirit in Sanskrit lore. He is the 1st cause, itself being uncaused. Compare with the cabalistic En Sof, the “unimaginable creator of the universe.” [Rf. Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*.]

Pusiel (Puruel)—one of the 7 angels of punishment, as listed in *Maseket Gan Edem and Gehinnom*. In the *Revelation of Rabbi Joshua ben Levi*, Pusiel is equated with Hadriel, and dwells in the 6th compartment of Hell.

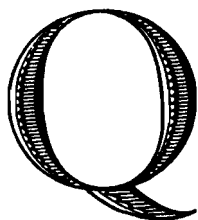
Puziel—an evil angel cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. He is employed in conjuring rites against an enemy.

Pymander—the nous of the supreme God, the Logos, the Word made manifest, the ideal archetype of all mankind. [Rf. *The Divine Pymander of Hermes Trismegistus*.]

Python—the 2nd of the 9 archangels or archdemons in the evil hierarchy. Python is “prince of the lying spirits.” [Rf. Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*.] In Greek mythology, Python is the monster serpent, hatched from the mud of Deucalion’s deluge, that lurked in a deep cleft of Parnassus; he was wounded and finally killed by the arrows of the sun god Apollo. [Rf. *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, “Dragon”; Summers, *The History of Witchcraft and Demonology*; Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]



The saintly throng in the form of a rose by Doré. Illustrations to Canto 31 of Dante's *Paradiso*. From Dante, *The Divine Comedy*, translated by Lawrence Grant White.



Qaddis (pl. qaddisin, “holy ones”)—one of 2 angels who, with the twin irin, constitute the judgment council of God.

Qaddisin—in Merkabah lore, the 2 qaddisin are ranked, along with the twin irin, higher than the seraphim. The 4 of these judgment angels are—to quote from *3 Enoch*—“greater than all the children of Heaven, and none their equal among all the servants [of God]. For each one of them is equal to all the rest together.”

Qadosch—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Qafsiel (Qaspiel, Qaphsiel, Quaphsiel)—an angel with dominion over the moon. In *3 Enoch* Qafsiel is guardian of the 7th heavenly hall. (Cf. Atrugiel). In ancient Hebrew charms, Qafsiel is invoked to drive away enemies by tying the charm, written in bird's blood, to the foot or wing of a dove and then bidding the dove to fly away. If it flies away, that is a sign that the enemy is in flight also. [Rf. Thompson, *Semitic Magic*, p. 817.]

Qalbam—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Qamamir Ziwa—in Mandaean lore, an angel of light. [Cf. Raphael.]

Qamiel—an angelic guard of the South Wind.

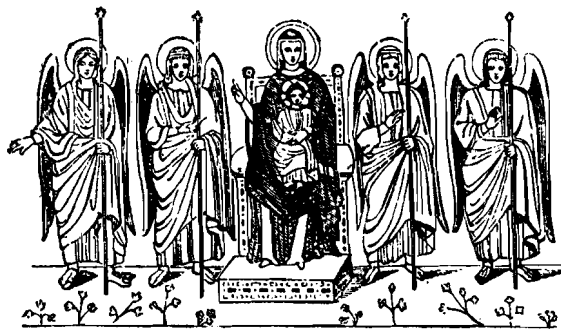
Qaphsiel [Qafsiel]

Qangiel Yah—a name of Metatron, cited in *3 Enoch*.

Qaniel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Qaus—an angel invoked in Arabic conjuring rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, p. 152.]

Qemuel (Kemuel, Camael)—an angel who was destroyed by God (in Jewish legendary lore, he is destroyed by Moses) when he tried to prevent the Lawgiver from receiving the Torah at the time God promulgated it. On that occasion Qemuel led angels in opposition to the number of 12,000. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]



Enthroned Madonna (Queen of the angels) flanked by four archangels (presumably Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel). Ancient mosaic in Sant'Apollinare-Novo at Ravenna. From Jameson, *Legends of the Madonna*.

Quaphsiel [Qafsiel]

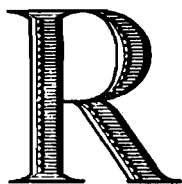
Queen of Angels—in Catholicism, the queen of angels (“regina angelium”) is the Virgin Mary. In the cabala, it is the Shekinah; in gnosticism, it is Pistis Sophia. [Rf. Voragine, *The Golden Legend*.]

Quelamia—one of the 7 exalted throne angels residing in the 1st Heaven “which execute the commands of the potentates” (according to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*). [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Quoriel—an “inferior spirit” serving Vachmiel, ruler of the 4th hour of the day. Quoriel is invoked in ritual magic of the Pauline Art. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 67.]



“Angel of Eden” (Raphael or Michael) by Dürer, expelling Adam and Eve from their earthly paradise. From Willi Kurth, *The Complete Woodcuts of Albrecht Dürer*. New York: Dover Publications, 1963.



Raahel—one of the 72 angels ruling over the 72 quinarys of the degrees of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Raamiel (“trembling before God”)—an angel with dominion over thunder. In some occult sources, Raamiel is referred to as a fallen angel. [See Ramiel.]

Ra’asiel X (Rashiel; Sui’el)—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, Ra’asiel X is an angel invoked in ritual magic.

Rabacyel—one of the 3 ruling princes of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Rabdos (“staff”)—a mighty luminary who is able to stop the stars in their courses; now a demon who throttles people. Rabdos can be subdued only by the power of the angel Brieus. [Rf. Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Rabia—one of the 10 *uthri* (angels) in Mandaean lore; the *uthri* accompany the sun on its daily course.

Rab-un-Naw—an angel of light in Arabic lore, equated with the Persian Parvardigar (*q.v.*).

Rachab [Rahab]

Rachel (“a ewe”)—in the cabala, the Shekinah when “re-organized” as the Celestial Bride on her way to reunification with God. She is one of the 4 matriarchs, rulers of a province in Heaven reserved for the daughters, wives, and sisters of the great Hebrew patriarchs. [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 33.]

Rachiel—in the cabala, one of the angelic luminaries concerned with human sexuality (Masters, *Eros and Evil*). In Barrett, *The Magus* II, Rachiel is one of the 3 angels of Friday (the other 2 being Anael and Sachiel). Also, one of the presiding spirits of the planet Venus—according to *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*. In Ozar Midrashim I, 86, Rachiel is an angel of the order of ophanim (*q.v.*).

Rachmiah—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Rachmiel ("mercy")—in rabbinic tradition, the angel of mercy (*cf.* Gabriel). He is also one of the 70 childbed amulet angels and an administering angel invoked in ceremonial rites. [*Rf. Universal Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 314; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.] In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Rachmiel is included among the angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Rachsiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Rad'adael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Radueriel (Radweriel H')—identified or equated with Dabriel, Vretil, Pravuil, etc., as the heavenly register and recording angel. Radueriel is included occasionally among the 8 great judgment princes of the throne whose rank is superior to Metatron's. He is the angel of poetry, master of the muses. Of Radueriel it was said, "out of every word that goeth forth from his mouth a song-uttering angel is born." [*Rf. Talmud Hagiga*, 13a.] *Note*: since God alone is credited with the creation of angels, this power and privilege to do likewise makes Radueriel unique among his fellow hierarchs—except for Pistis Sophia, who is claimed to be, in 3 *Enoch*, the "procreator of the superior angels." Another exception is Dynamis (*q.v.*).

Rael—in occultism, a Wednesday angel residing in the 3rd Heaven. He is also one of the intelligences of the planet Venus. When conjuring up Rael, the invocant must face north. [*Rf. de Abano, The Heptameron; The Secret Grimoire of Turiel.*]

Raftma'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [*Rf. Hughes, A Dictionary of Islam, "Angels."*]

Ragat—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, an angel (cherub or seraph) summoned in cabalistic conjuring rites.

Ragiel [Raguel]

Raguel (Raguil, Rasuil, Rufael, Suryan, Akra-siel—"friend of God")—one of the 7 archangels listed in the Enoch writings. Raguel is an angel of

earth, a guard of the 2nd (or 4th) Heaven. He "takes vengeance on the world of luminaries," which is interpreted to mean that, for cause, he brings other angels to account. Great as Raguel is, he was reprobated at a church council in Rome in 745 C.E., along with other high-ranking angels, Uriel among them. In Hugo, *The Toilers of the Sea*, Raguhel (so spelt) is a demon who "passed himself off as a saint" whom Pope Zachary in 745 C.E. "unearthed and turned out of the saintly calendar, along with two other demons called Oribel and Tobiel." [*See Tubuas.*] In *The Revelation of John*, Tischendorf, who edits this New Testament apocryphon, gives an extract from the termination of MS. E: "Then shall He send the angel Raguel, saying: Go and sound the trumpet for the angels of cold and snow and ice, and bring together every kind of wrath upon them that stand on the left." This would occur after the separation of the sheep from the goats. In gnosticism, Raguel is equated with Thelesis, another great angel (*q.v.*). According to *Enoch II*, Raguel (as Raguil or Rasuil or Samuil) is the angel who transported Enoch to Heaven while the antediluvian patriarch was still in the flesh—an incident alluded to in Genesis 5:24. The feat of transporting Enoch is also credited to Anafiel (*q.v.*). In *The Masque of Angels* (one-act opera produced in February 1966 at St. George's Church in New York), Raguel was cast as one of the principalities.

Raguhel [Raguel]

Rahab ("violence"; in Hebrew *sar shel yam*, "prince of the primordial sea.")—In Job 26:12; Psalms 37:4, Rahab designates Egypt as an earthly power of evil; also as "an angel of insolence and pride" (Isaiah 51:9). In the Talmudic *Baba Batra* 74b, Rahab is called the "angel of the sea." (In occult lore the demon of the sea is Kupospaston.) [*See Conybeare, The Testament of Solomon*, where Kupospaston is a hore-fish and delights in overwhelming ships.] According to legend (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 26), Rahab was destroyed by God for refusing to separate the upper and lower waters at the time of Creation; and was destroyed again for trying to hinder the Hebrews from escaping the pursuing hosts of Pharaoh

at the time of the crossing of the Red (Reed) Sea. Another legend relates that Rahab restored to Adam the mystical *Sefer Raziel* (*The Book of the Angel Raziel*) after it had been cast into the sea by envious angels. [Cf. legend of the sacred book, containing all knowledge, that Raphael is said to have given Noah.] The Babylonian Talmud regards Rahab, Leviathan, Behemoth, and the Angel of Death as identical or interchangeable. [Rf. Midrash *Genesis Rabba* 283; Talmud *Sanhedrin* 108b.] In Blake's *Jerusalem*, Rahab emerges as the Great Whore, triple goddess (sic) of Heaven, earth, and Hell. In Blake's *Vala* or *The Four Zoas* (Night the 8th), Rahab, as "representative of Urizen's mysteries unclothed, sits among the judges at the trial of Jesus." This Rahab is not to be confused with the Rahab of Joshua 2, the harlot of Jericho, grandmother of David and, it might be said, ancestress of all future quislings, whom Dante nevertheless, in his *Paradiso*, canto 9, places in Heaven among the elect.

Rahabiel—an angel invoked in a late Hebrew charm, along with Phaniel, Ariel, Lahabiel, Raphael. [Rf. M. Gaster, *Proceedings of the Society of Biblical Archeology*, p. 339.]

Rahatiel [Rahtiel]

Rahaviel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 2nd heavenly hall.

Rahdar—with the aid of a brother genius called Phakiel, Rahdar governs the sign of the Crab in the zodiac. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 413.]

Rahmiel (Rachmiel, Rahamael)—angel of mercy; also, one of the angels of love. For other angels of love, see Zadkiel, Zehanpuryu, Thiel, Anael (Haniel). Rahmiel may be invoked as an amulet against the evil eye. As Rhamiel, he is St. Francis Assisi who, like Enoch and Elijah, was transformed into an angel upon his arrival in Paradise. [Rf. Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*, p. 97; *The Douce Apocalypse*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, pp. 99, 140; Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Rahtiel (Rahatiel—"to run")—in Jewish legendary lore, the angel of constellations, like Kakabel. He is the angel who, after Metatron names the stars to Rabbi Ishmael, "enters them in counted order," as related in *3 Enoch*, 46. [See also Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Rahzeil—an angel in Mandaean theosophy. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Rakhaniel—an angel whose name appears in Hebrew characters on the 5th pentacle of the planet Saturn. When conjuring Rakhaniel, the invocant should recite a versicle from Deuteronomy (preferably 10:17).

Ramael [Ramiel]

Ramal—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Ramamel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Ram Avatar (Rania or Ramachandra)—the 7th of the 10 avatars in Vedic Lore. [See Avatar.]

Ramiel (Remiel, Phanuel, Uriel, Yerahmeel, Jeremiel, etc.)—in the Syriac *Apocalypse of Baruch* (3rd section) Ramiel is the angel who, as presider over true visions, provides Baruch with an interpretation of the vision Baruch saw and speaks of. In this vision, Ramiel appears as the angel who destroys Sennacherib's hosts—a feat credited also to Uriel, Michael, Gabriel, and other redoubtable hierarchs. Ramiel is chief of thunder (as is Uriel); and he has charge of the souls that come up for judgment on the last day (as has Zehanpuryu). In the Enoch writings, Ramiel or Remiel is both a holy angel and a fallen one (*Enoch* I, 6, and I, 20). In verse 20, Ramiel is a leader of the apostates; in verse 6, he is one of the 7 archangels standing before God's throne. In *Paradise Lost* VI, Ramiel, along with Ariel and Arioc, is overcome by Abdiel in the 1st day of fighting in Heaven. To Milton, therefore, Ramiel, being on the side of Satan, is evil. In the *Sibylline Oracles* II, 2, 5, Ramiel is "one of 5 angels who lead the souls of men to judgment," the 5 angels cited being Arakiel, Ramiel, Uriel, Samiel, and Aziel. A

number of Milton scholars (Keightley and Baldwin among them) have long believed that Milton coined Ramiel as well as Ithuriel, Zophiel, and Zephon. The names of these angels, however, have come to light in early apocryphal, apocalyptic, Talmudic sources; hence, Milton (who was familiar with such sources) had no need to invent these angels.

Ram Izad—in ancient Persian lore, an angel to whom services were paid. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 156.]

Ram Khastra (Ram Khvastra)—the Parsi equivalent of the Mandaean *uthri* (angel) Ayar Ziwa, who “brings the sounds” or “stirs the air.” [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*.]

Rampel—an angel exercising dominion over deep waters and mountain ranges. [Rf. M. Gaster’s *The Sword of Moses*.] In *The Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba* the angel of mountains (unnamed) is included among the “splendid, terrible, and mighty angel chiefs” who passed before God to rejoice in the 1st Sabbath.

Raphael (“God has healed”)—of Chaldean origin, originally called Labbiel. Raphael is one of 3 great angels in post-Biblical lore. He first appears in *The Book of Tobit* (a work external to the Hebrew canon, apocryphal in Protestant Scripture, canonical in Catholic). In *The Book of Tobit*, Raphael acts as companion and guide to Tobit’s son Tobias who journeys to Media from Nineveh. It is only at the end of the journey that Raphael reveals himself by name as “one of the 7 holy angels” that attend the throne of God. [See woodcut in the Cologne Bible (1478–1480), picturing various incidents in the story.] In *Enoch I*, 20, Raphael is declared to be “one of the watchers” (q.v.). In *Enoch I*, 22, Raphael is a guide in sheol (i.e., the underworld). In *Enoch I*, 40, he is “one of the 4 presences, set over all the diseases and all the wounds of the children of men.” [Cf. Rabbi Abba in *The Zohar I*: “Raphael is charged to heal the earth, and through him . . . the earth furnishes an abode for man, whom also he heals of his maladies.”] According to gamatria (cabala) and *Yoma* 37a, Raphael is one of the 3 angels that

visited Abraham (Genesis 18), the other 2 angels identified usually as Gabriel and Michael. Raphael is credited also with healing Abraham of the pain of circumcision, the patriarch having neglected to observe this rite earlier in life. In *The Legends of the Jews I*, 385, Raphael is the angel sent by God to cure Jacob of the injury to his thigh when Jacob wrestled with his dark adversary at Peniel (the adversary having been identified variously as Michael, Metatron, Uriel, Sammael or God Himself.) Another legend (*Sefer Noah*) claims it was Raphael who handed Noah, after the flood, a “medical book,” which may have been the famous *Sefer Raziel* (*The Book of the Angel Raziel*). Among other high offices, Raphael is the regent of the sun (Longfellow refers to him as the angel of the sun), chief of the order of virtues, governor of the south, guardian of the west, ruling prince of the 2nd Heaven, overseer of the evening winds, guardian of the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden, one of the 6 angels of repentance, angel of prayer, love, joy, and light. Above all, he is, as his name denotes, the angel of healing (cf. Asclepios, ancient Greek god of healing). He is also the angel of science and knowledge, and the preceptor angel of Isaac. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*.] Raphael belongs to at least 4 of the celestial orders: seraphim, cherubim, dominions (or dominations), powers. According to Trithemius of Spanheim, the 15th-century occultist, Raphael is one of the 7 angels of the Apocalypse. He is also numbered among the 10 holy sefiroth. And while he is not specifically named as the angel who troubled the waters at the pool in ancient Bethesda (John 5), he is generally so credited. [Rf. Summers, *The Vampire in Europe*.] Curiously enough (because, perhaps, Raphael has been called a guide in Hell) an ophite diagram represents Raphael as a terrestrial daemon with a beastlike form (!) and is associated with 3 other angels: Michael, Suriel, and Gabriel in the same guise. [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity II*, p. 70.] In the canvases of such masters as Botticini, Lorrain, Pollajuolo, Ghirlandaio, Titian, and Rembrandt, Raphael is variously pictured holding a pilgrim’s staff and a fish (*Tobit*); as a winged saint supping with Adam and Eve; as the “sociable archangel” (*Paradise*



Raphael descending to earth. An illustration for *Paradise Lost*. From Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.

Lost V); as a "six-winged seraph"; and as one of the 7 angels of the presence. Reference to these 7 angels of the presence is made by Blake in his "Milton." In the off-Broadway play *Tobias and the Angel*, Raphael is represented as a scoffing and jesting angel "knocking sense into the head of Tobias." The file on Raphael is inexhaustible, but one additional legend may be worth repeating here: it is taken from Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*. When Solomon prayed to God for help in the building of the Temple, God answered with the gift of a magic ring brought to the Hebrew king personally by Raphael. The ring, engraved with the pentalpha (5-pointed star), had the power to subdue all demons. And it was with the "slave labor" of demons that Solomon was able to complete the building of the Temple.

Rapid, The—an order of angels, "one of the 10 classes in Talmud and Targum," according to Voltaire in "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils."

Raquiél—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [*Rf. Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Rasamasa—with Vocabel, a brother spirit, Rasamasa controls the sign of Pisces in the zodiac. [*Rf. Levi, Transcendental Magic*.]

Rasesiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Rash (Rashin Rast)—the angel minister of justice in the service of Mithra. [*Rf. The Dabistan*, p. 145.]

Rashiel (Zavael)—an angel who exercises dominion over whirlwinds and earthquakes. [*Cf. Su'iel*.]

Rashin Rast [Rash]

Rasuil [Raguel]

Rathanael—an angel "who sits in the 3rd Heaven." *The Testament of Solomon* is authority for the fact that Rathanael is the only angel who is able to frustrate the machinations of the female demon Enepsigos. [*Rf. 3 Enoch* 17.]

Ratsitsiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merk-*

abah), an angelic guard stationed at the 1st of the 6 heavenly halls.

Ratziel [Raziel]

Ratzuziel—an angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. [*Rf. Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Raum (Raym)—before he fell, Raum was of the order of thrones. In Hell, he is a great earl and manifests in the form of a crow. His mission or office is to destroy cities and subvert the dignities of men. He commands 30 legions of infernal spirits. His sigil is figured in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 178. Raum also answers to the name of Haborym and is pictured in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 ed.) with 3 heads—man, cat, viper.

Ravadlediel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Raziel ("secret of God," "angel of mysteries"—Ratziel, Akrasiel, Gallizur, Saraqael, Suriel, etc.)—the "angel of the secret regions and chief of the Supreme Mysteries." [*Rf. M. Gaster, The Sword of Moses*.] In the cabala, Raziel is the personification of Cochma (divine wisdom), 2nd of the 10 holy sefiroth. In rabbinic lore, Raziel is the legendary author of *The Book of the Angel Raziel* (*Sefer Raziel*), "wherein all celestial and earthly knowledge is set down." The true author is unknown but he has been commonly identified as Eleazer of Worms or Isaac the Blind, medieval writers. Legend has it that the angel Raziel handed his book to Adam, and that the other angels, out of envy, purloined the precious grimoire and cast it into the sea, whereat God ordered Rahab, primordial angel/demon of the deep, to fish it out and restore it to Adam—which Rahab obediently did, although it should be pointed out that before this, Rahab had been destroyed. *The Book of the Angel Raziel* finally came into possession of, first, Enoch (who, it is said, gave it out as his own work i.e., *The Book of Enoch*); then of Noah; then of Solomon, the latter deriving from it, according to demonographers, his great knowledge and power in magic. [*Rf. De Plancy, Dictionnaire Infernal*.] From a midrash (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the*

Jews I, 154-157) it develops that Noah learned how to go about building the Ark by poring over the Raziel tome. [Rf. Jastrow, *Hebrew and Babylonian Traditions*.] In Targum Ecclesiastes 10, 20, it is reported that "each day the angel Raziel, standing on Mount Horeb, proclaims the secrets of men to all mankind." Searching further in the cabala, one learns that Raziel is one of 10 (actually one of 9) archangels in the Briatic world, which is the 2nd of the 4 worlds of creation. In this Briatic world each sefira is allotted an archangel to govern it, the chief being Metatron, the others being, apart from Raziel, Tzaphkiel, Tzadquiel, Kamael, Michael, Haniel, Raphael, Gabriel, and Sandalphon—as we find in a listing by Macgregor Mathers. [Rf. Westcott, *The Study of the Kabbalah*, pp. 54-55.] According to Maimonides in his *Mishna Thora*, Raziel is chief of the order of erelim (q.v.); also, the herald of deity and preceptor angel of Adam. In further connection with *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, *The Zohar* I, 55a, reports that in the middle of the book there occurs a secret writing "explaining the 1,500 keys [to the mystery of the world] which were not revealed even to the holy angels." The noted 13th-century cabalist Abraham ben Samuel Abulafia wrote under the name of Raziel (also under the name of Zechariah).

Razvan—in Arabic lore, the "treasurer of Paradise," and the "porter of Heaven." [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 385.]

Razziel—an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Reapers—a designation for angels in Matthew 13:29: "and the reapers are the angels." Henry Vaughan, the English poet, concludes his poem "The Seed Growing Secretly" with the line "Till the white winged Reapers come." In Longfellow's poem "The Reaper and the Flowers" the Reaper is the angel of death, Azrael.

Recabustira—a prayer addressed to Recabustira (for providing the invocant with a magic carpet) is made by gradually reducing the name thus: Cabustira, Bustira, Stira, Ira, etc. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Recording Angel—Pravuil, Vretil, Radueriel, Dabriel (the same angel under different forms). In Arabic tradition, the recording angel is Moakkibat. But there is the tradition of 2 recording angels called Kiramu 'l-katibin who attend every believer, one recording the good deeds, the other the evil deeds. When the believer dies, his record is conveyed by the recording angels to Azrael, angel of death. In Babylonian lore, the recording angel is Nabu or Nebo. "To marry is to domesticate the Recording Angel," says R. L. Stevenson in *Virginibus Puerisque*. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Rectacon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. Rectacon is mentioned in the grimoires and tracts of Sblomonic magic.

Rectores Mundorum—in Chaldean mythology, the divine regents or powers that order the world below. [Rf. Aude, *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Red Angel, The—an angel so named in Marc Chagall's celebrated canvas titled "Descent of the Red Angel." [See Angel of Fire.]

Regent—in *Paradise Lost* V, 698, a fallen angel under Satan's command, He is either head of, or one of, the regent powers that fought in the Great Revolt.

Regents—an order of angels mentioned in *Paradise Regained* I, 117.

Region—an angel invoked for special uses in ceremonial magic, specifically in the conjuration of the Sword. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Rehael—an angel of the order of powers. He rules over health and longevity, and inspires respect for one's parents. Rehael is one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shem-hamphorae. His corresponding angel is Ptechout. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Rehael—in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, one of the 72 angels of the zodiac.



Round of the Angels by Fra Angelico, detail from *The Last Judgment*. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Rehel—an angel who battles against the enemies of religion. His corresponding angel is Phupe. [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Reiël—an angel of the order of dominations. Reiël is also one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Reivtip (Rirvtip)—in Mosaic incantation rites, an angel who serves the angel-prince Alimon (*q.v.*).

Rekhodiah—one of the 4 angel names found inscribed on the 2nd pentacle of the sun. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Relail—in Arabic lore, governor of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. Moore, *The Loves of the Angels*.]

Remiel (Ramiel, Rumael, etc.)—one of the 7 archangels who attend the throne of God, as stated in *Enoch I*, 20. He is called Jeremiel or Uriel in various translations of *IV Esdras*, and described as “one of the holy angels whom God has set over those who rise” (from the dead). He is the same angel (given as Ramiel) who, in *The Apocalypse of Baruch*, destroys the army of Sennacherib. See *Enoch II*, and Geffcken, *Sibylline Oracles II*, 215.

Rempha—in Egyptian theogony, chief of the order of thrones and genius of time. In hermetics, Rempha is one of the 7 planetary genii and the genius (archangel) of Saturn. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic I*, 317; *II*, 475; see Orifiel.]

Reno—the corresponding angel for the angel Vehuel (*q.v.*).

Reprobated Angels—at a church council in Rome, 745 c.e., under Pope Zachary, 7 high angels were reprobated: Uriel, Raguel, Inias, Adimus, Simiel (Semibel), Tubual (Tubuas), and Sabaothe (Saboac). The bishops Clement and Adalbert, who taught the veneration of these angels, were convicted of heresy. It was the rash of newly coined angels that prompted the Church at that time to forbid invoking or venerating angels other than those named in the Bible (Michael, Gabriel, Raphael). The trouble, however, dated earlier than the 8th century, for in the

4th–5th centuries, Eusebius and Theodoret tried, without success, to put a stop to the practice. [Rf. Régamey, *What Is an Angel?* p. 119.]

Requel—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a ruling prince of the order of principalities. In other sources the ruling prince of the order is given as Nisroc (*Paradise Lost*), Anael, Cerviel, etc.

Requiel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Reschith Hajalalim (Rashith ha-Galgalim)—in Jewish cabala, Reschith is a ministering spirit through whom “the essence of divinity flows.” He guides the *primum mobile*, a task or office usually linked with Metatron. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Resh (Rash?)—an Indo-Persian angel mentioned in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.

Retsutsiel [Rezoziel]

Revealing Angel, The—in the Koran, *sura* 51, 50, the revealing angel is spoken of as “a plain warner from Him,” but is not identified by name.

Rezoziel—an angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven mentioned in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Rhamiel (Rahmiel)—the angelic name of St. Francis of Assisi as the angel of mercy. St. Francis has also been referred to as the angel of the apocalypse. As such he warns the winds not to complete the destruction of the world “until the elect should be gathered.” [Rf. *The Douce Apocalypse*.]

Rhauel—a Friday angel resident in the 5th Heaven and invoked from the north [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Ribbotaim—angels used as chariots by God. These would be the cherubim (*q.v.*). [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Richol—an angel of the order of powers, summoned in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Riddia (Ridya, Ridjah, Mathariel—“the irriga-

tor")—prince of rain in command of the element of water. Riddia is said to reside between 2 abysses. In Hebrew lore, he is described as an angel who, when invoked, shows himself in the form of a 3-year-old heifer with cleft lips. [Rf. Talmud, Yoma 21a.]

Ridwan—in Islamic tradition, an angel placed at the entrance to the earthly paradise. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 618.] It is in this role, as the archangelic guardian of the Garden of Eden, that Ridwan appears in Remy de Gourmont's play, *Lilith*.

Ridya [Riddia]

Riehol—in the cabala, governor of the zodiacal sign of Scorpio; in this office Riehol is assisted by Saissaiel. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Riff (fictional)—a cherub in Daniels, *Clash of Angels*.

Rifion—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 5th heavenly hall.

Rigal—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For a list of all 70, see Appendix.

Rigziel—in Isaac ha-Cohen's text, "Emanations of the Left Side," Rigziel is 8th of the 10 holy sefiroth.

Rikbiel YHWH—an angel appointed over the divine chariot (i.e., *Merkabah*) or wheels; also chief of the order of galgallim, of which there are 6 other ruling angels. In Enoch lore, Rikbiel ranks higher than Metatron, which would make him one of the great crown princes of heavenly judgment (there being 8 such, according to Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 139.)

Rimezin—an angel of the 4th hour of the night, serving under Jefischa. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Rimmon (Hebrew, "roarer" or "exalted")—a fallen archangel, now an "inferior demon." Rimmon was originally an Aramaean deity worshipped at Damascus; also an idol of Syria. In occultism he is the devil's ambassador to Russia.

In Bates' *The Bible Designed to Be Read as Living Literature* (p. 1262, glossary) "Elisha allowed Naaman the Syrian to bow down with his master in the house of Rimmon." Thus, to bow down in the house of Rimmon implies "to conform to a reprehensible custom to save one's life." To the Semites, Rimmon was the god of storms, the Akkadian name being Im (Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*). His emblem is the pomegranate. The Assyrians called him Barku (lightning) and the Kassites named him Tessub. In Babylonian myth, Rimmon was the thunder god, pictured with a trident.

Rishis—to be compared with the Prajapati (*q.v.*). The Rishis are the 7 or 10 Vedic spirits from whom it is claimed all mankind is descended. They may also be compared with the 7 angels of the presence and the 7 (or 6) amesha spentas in Zoroastrian lore.

Risnuch—genius of agriculture, according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Risnuch is one of the genii of the 9th hour.

Riswan (Rusvon)—in the *Odes* of Hafiz (Ode 586), the gatekeeper of Heaven. Hafiz' reference is to "dread Riswan's throne."

Riyiel—in the cabala, one of the 72 angels of the zodiac.

Rochel—an angel who finds lost objects. Rochel's corresponding angel is Chontaré. Rochel also figures among the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae.

Roelhaiphar—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 5th pentacle of Saturn. When Roelhaiphar is invoked, the invocant should, for the best results, recite a versicle from Deuteronomy 10:17. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Rofael [Raphael]

Rofocale—more usually called Lucifuge Rofocale, prime minister in the infernal regions, according to the *Grand Grimoire*. Rofocale has control over all the wealth and treasures of the world. His subordinate is Baal (a king, ruling in

the east). Two other subordinates are Agares (one of the dukes in Hell and formerly of the angelic order of virtues) and Marbas.

Rogziel ("wrath of God")—one of the 7 angels of punishment, as listed in *Maseket Gan Edem and Gehinnom*. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, 593.]

Rombomare—corresponding angel for Lauviah.

Romiel—in geonic (Middle Ages) lore, an angel assigned to rulership over one of the months of the year. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Rorex—in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, a spirit (angel) invoked to counteract the power of Alath (demon of disease, one of the infernal decani).

Rosabis—genius of metals and one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Rosier—a former lesser-rank angel of the order of dominations, now officiating in Hell. [Rf. Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman*.]

Roupa'il—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Rssassiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Ruah Piskonit—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Ruba'il—in Islamic lore, an angel of the 7th Heaven in charge of a group of angels (in the guise of men) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Rubi (fictional)—the 2nd angel, a cherub, in Moore's *The Loves of the Angels*.

Rubiel—as cited in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, an angel (along with Uriel and Barachiel) invoked in games of chance. For good results, the name Rubiel, when prayed to, must be inscribed on virgin parchment.

Ruchiel—an angel appointed over the wind. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*, 14.]

Rudiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 3rd heavenly hall.

Rudosor—an angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Rufael—another form of the angel Raphael, or a corruption of Raguel (*q.v.*). According to *Enoch I*, 68:4, Rufael spoke with Michael concerning the fallen angels.

Rugziel (Dalkiel)—an angel who operates in the 7th compartment of Hell in the "punishment of 10 nations." [Rf. *Baraita de Massechet Gehinnom*.]

Ruhiel—in Jewish legendary lore, the angel governing the wind. He is mentioned as one of the great luminaries in Heaven who, "when they encounter Metatron, tremble before him and prostrate themselves." [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*, 140.]

Rumael (Ramiel)—one of the fallen angels in the *Enoch* listings.

Ruined Archangel—an epithet used by Milton in *Paradise Lost I*, 593, to describe Satan in his fallen state: "his form had yet not lost/All her Original brightness, nor appear'd/Less than Arch Angel ruin'd."

Rulers—in the Septuagint, the term is used to denote an order of the celestial hierarchy. Usually equated with the order of dominations. Caird in *Principalities and Powers*, p. 11, uses rulers as a translation of the Greek "ἄρχοντες." John of Damascus, in *Exposition of the Orthodox Faith II*, lists rulers (where customarily "principalities" appears) as 1st of the last triad in the 9-fold division of the celestial hierarchy.

Ruman—in Islamic lore, a special angel of the lower regions who requires of all the deceased that come before him to write down the evil deeds they performed on earth and for which they were consigned to Hell. Ruman then delivers the deceased to the angels Munkar and Nakir (*q.q.v.*)

for punishment. [*Rf. Jewish Encyclopedia*; Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 617.]

Rumiel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven; also one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [*Rf. Pirke Hechaloth*; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 225.]

Rumjal (Rumael?)—an evil, fallen archangel, one of the original 200 that were seduced by Satan into rebellion, according to *Enoch I*.

Rusvon (Riswan)—an angel who holds the keys to the Muslim earthly paradise. [See De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Cf. Ridwan.]

Ruwano—a ministering angel invoked in conjuring rites. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Ruya'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [*Rf. Hughes, A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]



“Prince of the Power of the Air” (Satan) by Doré. Reproduced from Langton, *Satan, A Portrait*.



Sa'adiya'il—in Islamic religious lore, an angel of the 3rd Heaven in charge of a group of angels (in the guise of vultures) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Saaphiel—angel of hurricanes, mentioned in *Sefer Yetzirah* (*The Book of Formation*).

Saaqael (Sarakiel, Suriel?)—in *Enoch I*, an angel of the presence.

Sabaoc—one of the 7 reprobated angels at the trial which took place in a church council in Rome, 745 C.E. Other angels reprobated at the same trial included Uriel, Raguel, Simiel. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*; see *Reprobated Angels*.]

Sabaoth (Tsabaoth, Ibraoth, “hosts”)—one of the 7 angels of the presence; one of the divine names in gnostic and cabalistic lore. In the Ophitic (gnostic) system, Sabaoth is one of the 7 archons, creators of the universe.

Sabaoth Adamas—in the *Texts of the Saviour*, Sabaoth Adamas is an evil power, ruler of the

wicked aeons; he is mentioned also in the Coptic *Pistis Sophia*.

Sabathiel (Sabbathi)—in Jewish cabala, a spirit (intelligence) of the planet Saturn. He receives the divine light of the holy spirit and communicates it to the dwellers in his kingdom. In Mosaic lore, Sabathiel is one of 7 princes “who stand continually before God, and to whom are given the spirit-names of the planets.” [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Sabbath—an angel (so named) who sits on a throne of glory in Heaven, the chiefs of orders of angels doing him honor. He is the lord of the Sabbath.

Sabbathi [Sabathiel]

Sabiel—the 1st of the personalized angels of the 10 holy sefiroth. In Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*, Sabiel is an angel who is invoked in ritual rites.

Sablil—according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, a genius who runs down thieves. Levi's authority is Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*. In the

latter work, Sablil is one of the spirits or genii of the 9th hour.

Sabrael (Sabriel)—one of the 7 archangels, as noted in Conybeare, *The Testament of Solomon*, and in 3 *Enoch*. Sabrael is chief of the order of tarshishim ("the brilliant ones," equated with the order of virtues), sharing the post with Tarshiel—according to *Maseket Azilut*. Sabrael is also guard of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."] In occultism, Sabrael is the only angel who can overcome the demon of disease, Sphendonael.

Sabtabiel—in the cabala, an angel invoked in necromantic rites. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 281.]

Sachiel ("covering of God")—an angel of the order of hashmallim (cherubim). Sachiel is resident of the 1st Heaven (in some sources, the 6th Heaven). He is a Monday (or Thursday or Friday) angel, invoked from the south (also from the west). In addition, he is a presiding spirit of the planet Jupiter. In goetic lore, he is called a servitor of the 4 sub-princes of the infernal empire. His sigil is shown facing p. 105 of Barrett, *The Magus II*.

Sachiel-Melek—in the cabala, a king of the underworld hierarchy governing priesthoods and sacrifices. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 307.]

Sachluph—a genius in control of plants and one of the genii of the 2nd hour, as listed by Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Sacriel—in occult lore (Barrett, *The Magus II*, etc.) an angel serving in the 5th Heaven. He rules on Tuesday and is invoked from the south.

Sadayel—one of 3 archangels (the other 2 being Tiriël and Raphael) whose name is found inscribed in a pentagram on a ring amulet. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Sadial (Sadiel)—in Islamic lore, an angel governing the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*; Clayton, *Angelology*.]

Saditel—an angel of the 3rd Heaven in the listing of Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of*

Occult Philosophy III. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 139.]

Sadqiel—in M. Gaster, *Wisdom of the Chaldeans*, a ruling angel of the 5th day.

Sadriel—an angel of order. [Rf. Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*.] In the *Masque of Angels*, a one-act opera produced in New York in February, 1966 at St. George's Church, Sadriel was cast as the company clerk.

Saelel—in the cabala, one of the 72 angels in control of the zodiac.

Saeliah [Seeliah]

Safkas—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Safriel—an angelic guard of the 5th Heaven. Rf. *Ozar Midrashim II*, 116.] He is said to be effective as a charm (*kamea*) for warding off the evil eye. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Sagansagel [Sagnessagiel]

Sagdalon—governor, with Semakiel, of the sign of Capricorn in the zodiac.

Sagham—according to Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, Sagham is ruler with Seratiel of the sign of Leo in the zodiac.

Sagiel—an angel of the 7th hour of the day, serving under Barginiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Sagmagigrin—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Sagnessagiel (Sasniel, Sagansagel, Sasnigiël, etc.)—prince of wisdom and chief of the angelic guards of the 4th hall of the 7th Heaven. Sagnessagiel is one of the many names of Metatron, as listed in 3 *Enoch*. In the *Baraita de Massechet Gehinnom*, Sagansagel (so written), during a talk with Rabbi Ishmael in Heaven, showed the latter the holy books wherein the decrees for Israel are spelt out.

Sagras—with another angel named Saraiel,



Head of a sorrowing angel by Filippino Lippi (1457–1504). Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Sagras governs the sign of the Bull (Taurus) in the zodiac.

Sagsagel [Zagzagel]

Sahaqiel—angelic ruler of the sky, according to 3 *Enoch*.

Sahariel (Asderel)—an angel invoked in Syriac spellbinding charms. Sahariel governs the sign of Aries (Ram) in the zodiac. [Rf. *Prince of Darkness* (a witchcraft anthology), p. 177; *The Book of Protection*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Sahiviel—angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven, mentioned along with numerous other such guards in *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.

Sahon—in the cabala, one of the angels of the Seal; also a planetary angel.

Sahriel—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Sahtail (Sahteil)—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Saint Francis—pictured as an angel of mercy (with wings) as well as the angel of the Apocalypse. [Rf. Bonaventura, *Life of Saint Francis*.] In his role of angel of the Apocalypse, Saint Francis warns the winds not to complete the destruction of the world—not until “the elect should be gathered.” [See Rhamiel.]

Saints—an order of angels in Jewish Talmud and Targum, according to Voltaire, “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils.” A term for angels, as in the Authorized Version of Psalms 89:7, where “council of the holy ones” is translated into “assembly of saints.”

Saissaïel—with Riehol (a brother genius), Saissaïel governs the sign of Scorpio. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 413.]

Sakniel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind, as cited in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Sakriel (Samriel)—a porter angel of the 2nd Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Saktas—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Salamiel (Satanail, Satomail)—a great angel, prince of the grigori (q.v.). Though the grigori dwell in Heaven, a certain number of them are malign. A legend has it that Salamiel rejected the Lord and is now a fallen angel. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 133.]

Salatheel (Sealtiel, Sealthiel, Salathiel—“I have asked God”)—one of the 7 great ministering arch-angels, rulers of the movements of the spheres. With Suriel (Suriyel), Salatheel conducted Adam and Eve from the top of a high mountain, where Satan had lured them, to the cave of treasures (as reported in *The Book of Adam and Eve*). Ezra IV refers to him as Salathiel. In secular writings, there is a romance by the Rev. George Croly (published in 1829, again in 1900, under the title *Tarry Thou Till I Come*) in which the Wandering Jew is the name of a 16th-century Venetian called Salathiel ben Sadi. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; Barnhart, *The New Century Handbook of English Literature*, p. 960.]

Salbabil—an angel invoked in Aramaic love charms. [Rf. Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*.]

Salem—the guardian angel of St. John; probably Melchizedec, who was the legendary king of Salem (i.e., Jerusalem). [Rf. Klopstock, *The Messiah*, notes to canto vii.]

Salemia—in *Esdras II*, one of the 5 “men” (angels) who transcribed the 204 books dictated by Ezra.

Salilus—in magical arts [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*] a genius who opens sealed doors. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, Salilus is a genius of the 7th hour.

Sallisim—in 3 *Enoch*, an order of angels within the order of the Song-Uttering Choirs, the latter being under the direction of Tagas (q.v.).

Salmael (Samael)—a prince of one of the angelic orders. Salmael used to accuse Israel on Yom

Kippur, calling for the annihilation of the Jews (forerunner of a genocide like Hitler?). Samael is equated with Samael and Azazel. He has also been identified as Jacob's dark antagonist at Peniel, as have other angels. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, pp. 284-285.]

Salmay (Zalmii, Samaey)—in the *Grimorium Verum*, one of the "holy angels of God" invoked in ceremonial magic rites, specifically in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 175.]

Salmia—an angel petitioned in ritual prayer, along with other "great and glorious spirits" for the fulfilment of the invocant's desires. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Salmon—an angel of the 6th hour of the night, serving under Zaazonash. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 69.]

Salpsan—a son of Satan, according to the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, in James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*.

Salun—an angel petitioned in ritual prayer. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 36.]

Samaey [Salmay]

Sam(m)ael (Satanil, Samil, Satan, Seir, Salmael, etc.)—a combination of "sam" meaning poison and "el" meaning angel. In rabbinic literature, Samael is chief of the Satans and the angel of death. In the *Secrets of Enoch* (*Enoch II*) he is the prince of demons and a magician. Samael has been regarded both as evil and good; as one of the greatest and as one of the foulest spirits operating in Heaven, on earth, and in Hell. On the one hand he is said to be chief ruler of the 5th Heaven (in Jewish legendary lore his residence is usually placed in the 7th Heaven), one of the 7 regents of the world served by 2 million angels; on the other hand, he is "that great serpent with 12 wings that draws after him, in his fall, the solar system." [Cf. Revelation 12.] Samael is also the angel of death (one of a number of such angels) whom God sent to fetch the soul of Moses when the Lawgiver's days on earth had come to an end. Talmud

Yalkut I, 110, speaks of Samael as Esau's guardian angel. *Sotah* 10b speaks of Samael as Edom's *sar* (angelic prince guardian). In the *Sayings of Rabbi Eliezer*, Samael is charged with being the one (in the guise of a serpent) who tempted Eve, seduced her, and became by her the father of Cain. In *The Zohar* (Vayishlah 170b), Samael is the dark angel who wrestled with Jacob at Peniel, although Michael, Uriel, Metatron, and others have been identified as this antagonist. Samael is also equated with the satan (i.e., the adversary) who tempted David to number Israel [Rf. I Chronicles 21]. *Targum Jonathan to the Prophets* renders Genesis 3:6 as: "And the woman saw Samael the angel of death." This verse is translated in the *Paraphrase of Job*, 28:7, as: "the path of the Tree of Life which Samael, who flies like a bird, did not know, and which the eye of Eve did not perceive." In Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 255, Samael is characterized as the "severity of God" and is listed as 5th of the archangels of the world of Briah. Here he corresponds to the sefira Geburah. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, equates Samael with the Greek god Typhon. *Baruch III*, 4, mentions "the angel Sammael." In Charles, *The Ascension of Isaiah IV*, 7, occurs this passage: "And we ascended to the firmament, I and he [i.e., Isaiah and his escorting angel, a very glorious one, not named—but compare with the angel that Abraham encounters in the *Apocalypse of Abraham*], and there I saw Sammael and his hosts, and there was great fighting therein and the angels of Satan were envying one another." It is clear here that Sammael and Satan are interchangeable. In Longfellow's extensive poem, *The Golden Legend*, when the rabbi asks Judas Iscariot why the dogs howl at night, the answer is: *In the Rabbinical book it sayeth/The dogs howl when, with icy breath,/Great Sammael, the Angel of Death,/Takes through the town his flight.* In fiction, "Red Samael the Seducer," father of the hero, is a character in Cabell, *The Devil's Own Dear Son*. Cabell calls Samael the "youngest and most virile of the 72 princes of Hell, a red-headed rogue who had made his reputation some centuries ago with both Eve and Lilith." To Cabell, Samael belongs to the order of seraphim and is "first of the art critics."

Samaha'il—in Muslim tradition, an angel in the 6th Heaven in charge of a group of angels (in the guise of boys) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Samandiriel (Smandriel)—in Mandaeen lore, a spirit of fertility who receives prayers; and who keeps such prayers until the time comes when he believes they should be acted on. See Yus(h)amin. [Rf. Drower, *The Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans*, p. 272.]

Samangaluf (Smnglf, Samangeloph)—according to pseudo-Sirach, one of the 3 angels who brought Lilith back to Adam in the pre-Eve days, after a long separation. A Hebrew amulet, showing the seal of Samangaluf and taken from *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, is reproduced in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 225.

Samas—a master spirit in Babylonian and Chaldean occultism. Samas figures as one of the signs (the sun) of the zodiac. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*; Seligmann, *The History of Magic*.]

Samax—chief of the angels of the air and ruling angel of Tuesday. His ministering angels are Carmax, Ismoli, and Paffran. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Samax Rex—as recorded in a book of Elizabethan black magic, a spirit of evil. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*, p. 256.]

Sambula—in Arabic lore, an angel invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*.]

Samchia (Samchiel)—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For a list of all 70, see Appendix.

Samchiel [Samchia]

Sameon—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, an angel of the 6th hour of the day, serving under Samil.

Sameron—an angel of the 12th hour of the day, serving under Beratiel.

Sameveel—one of the fallen angels, listed in *Enoch I*.

Samhiel—in the cabala, an angel invoked to cure stupidity. [Rf. Botarel, *Mayan Hahochmah*; *Enoch I*.]

Sam Hii (Shom Hii)—in Mandaeen lore, one of the 4 *malki* (*uthri* or angels) of the North Star. The name means "creation of life."

Samiaza(z) [Semyaza]

Samiel—in the *Apocalypse of Peter* (also in James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*) Samiel is an "immortal angel of God." In *The Book of Protection*, he is grouped with Michael, Gabriel, and other spellbinding angels. However, according to Voltaire in his "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils," Samiel is one of the leaders of the fallen angels, and hence evil. To Voltaire, apparently, Samiel was another form for Samael, prince of evil. In Bar-Khonai, *The Book of Scholia*, Samiel is described as "blind, malformed, and evil."

Samil—an angel ruler of the 6th hour, with a vast concourse of serving spirits under him. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Samjaza [Semyaza]

Samlo—in gnosticism, one of the great luminaries or aeons who "are to draw the elect up to Heaven." [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Sammael [Samael]

Sammangaloph [Samangaluf]

Samoel (Samoy?)—a spirit invoked in prayer to the Master of the Art in Solomonian ritual operations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Samohayl—a ministering archangel evoked in cabalistic conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Samoy—in the *Grimorium Verum*, an angel conjured up in black magic operations. He may be the same as Samoel.

Samriel [Sakriel]

Samsapeel (Samsaveel, Shamshiel)—an evil archangel listed among the apostates in *Enoch I*. He was one of 200 who descended from Heaven to cohabit with the daughters of men.

Samsaveel [Samsapeel]

Samuil (Semil, "heard of God")—in Jewish legendary lore, an angel of the earth—that is, one who exercises dominion over the earth. In *Enoch II*, 33, he is the angel who not only transported Enoch to Heaven (while Enoch was still in the flesh) but, as commanded by God, returned him to earth—although this mission and feat are also ascribed to other angels, among them Rasuil and Anafiel.

Samyaza [Semyaza]

Sanasiel—in Mandaeen angelology, a spirit who stands at the gate of life and prays for souls. [Rf. Drower, *The Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans*.]

Sanctities—a term for one of the celestial orders, as employed by Milton in *Paradise Lost* III, 60. [Rf. West, *Milton and his Angels*, p. 135.]

Sandalphon (Sandolphon, Sandolfon—Greek, "co-brother")—originally the prophet Elias (Elijah). In rabbinic lore, Sandalphon is one of the great *sarim* (angelic princes), twin brother of Metatron, master (*hazzan*) of heavenly song. Exceeding Hadraniel in height by a 500-year foot journey, he is regarded as one of the tallest hierarchs in the celestial realms—Moses, sighting him in the 3rd Heaven, called him "the tall angel." Talmud *Hagiga* 13b says his head reaches Heaven (which was said also of Israfel and of the Greek giant Typhon). In Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Sandalphon is designated "the left-hand feminine cherub of the ark." In the liturgy for the Feast of Tabernacles, he is credited with gathering the prayers of the faithful, making a garland of such prayers, and then "adjuring them to ascend as an orb to the supreme King of Kings." In 3 *Enoch*, Sandalphon is described as ruler of the 6th Heaven (*makon*) but, in *The Zohar* (Exodus 202b), he is "chief of the 7th Heaven." According to Islamic lore, he dwells in the 4th Heaven. As is reported of Michael, he carries on ceaseless combat with the apparently indestructible Samael (Satan), prince of evil. In popular etymology, Sandalphon

is a fancier of sandals (soft shoes) when he stands in the presence of his Maker, but leather shoe gear when he appears before the Shekinah (see *The Zohar*). The ancient sages identified Sandalphon with Ophan (*q.v.*). He is said also, by cabalists, to be instrumental in bringing about the differentiation of sex in the embryo—a good thing to bring to the attention of expectant mothers. [Rf. *Yalkut Reubeni*.] In Longfellow's "Sandalphon," he is the "Angel of Glory, Angel of Prayer," Longfellow's inspiration for the poem deriving from J. P. Stehelin, *Traditions of the Jews*.

Sandolfon [Sandalphon]

Sangariah—angel of fasts, whose chief office is accusing those who fail to observe the Sabbath. [Rf. *The Zohar* (Exodus 207a).]

Sangariel—an angel who guards the portals of Heaven. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Sanigron Kunya—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, one of the 14 great angels who may be invoked in special ceremonial rites.

Sannul (Sanul)—an angel of the order of powers; in occultism, he is summoned up in ritual magic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Sansanui (Sansanvi, Sanvi, Sansennoi, Snvi, Sanzanuy)—one of the 3 angels credited with bringing Lilith back to Adam after their separation (in the pre-Eve days). The other 2 angels who assisted in the reconciliation were Sanuy (or Sennoi) and Samangaluf. Sansanui is now a potent prophylactic against the deprivations of Lilith and her minions. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Santanael—a Friday angel, resident of the 3rd Heaven. Summoned up, Santanael will appear only when the invocant faces south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus II*.]

Santriel—the sole reference to Santriel occurs in *The Zohar* (Exodus 151a), where his function is

clearly described: "And a certain angel named Santriel goes away to fetch the body of such a sinner [i.e., such a one who kept not the Sabbath] from the grave and brings it to Gehenna, holding it up before the eyes of all the [other] sinners, that they may see how it bred worms."

Saphar—in the *Sefer Yetzirah* (*Book of Foundation*) it is said that Saphar is "one of the 3 seraphim through whom the world was made," the other 2 being Sepher and Sipur.

Sapiel (Saphiel)—an angel of the 4th Heaven and ruler of the Lord's Day. Sapiel is a guardian angel and is to be invoked from the north.

Sar (pl., *sarim*)—a Hebrew term for an angel prince. There are 70 *sarim*, one for each nation. The *sarim* are also identified as the 70 Shepherds, as in the *Shepherd of Hermas*.

Saraiel (Sariel)—governor of the sign of the Twins in the zodiac, at which post Saraiel is assisted by another genius (i.e., angel) named Sagras. [Rf. *The Prince of Darkness*, p. 177.]

Sarafiel—in Islamic mythology, an angel equated with Israfil or Israfil. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Sarafion—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Sarahiel—one of the 7 angelic guards of the 2nd Heaven, according to *Hechaloth Rabbati*. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Sarakiel (Saraqael)—the prince of ministering angels, officiating when these angels convene at judgment councils. Sarakiel is "one of the 7 holy angels set over the children of men whose spirits have sinned." [Rf. *The Book of Enoch*.] With another angel, Sataaran, Sarakiel governs the sign of the Ram.

Sarakika'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Saraknyal (Sarakuyal)—one of the 200 angels under the leadership of Semyaza who descended

to earth to cohabit with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6. The American poet Mark Van Doren mentions Saraknyal in his poem "The Prophet Enoch." The variant form Sarakuyal is provided by Levi, *The History of Magic*, when listing the leaders of the 200 apostates.

Saranana—in *The Almadel of Solomon*, an angel of the 3rd altitude.

Saraqael [Sarakiel]

Sarasael (Sarea, Sarga, Saraqael)—a seraph; one of the 5 "men" who wrote down the 204 books dictated by Ezra. He is one of the holy angels "set over the spirits of those who sin in the spirit." As recorded in *Baruch III*, Sarasael is the angel God sent to Noah to advise the latter in the matter of replanting the Tree (in Eden) "which led Adam astray."

Saratan—in Arabic lore, an angel invoked in incantation rites.

Sarea (Sarga)—in Duff, *II Esdras*, one of 5 "men" referred to under Sarasael. Of the 204 books dictated by Ezra, 70 were to be delivered only to the wise; the others were to be published openly.

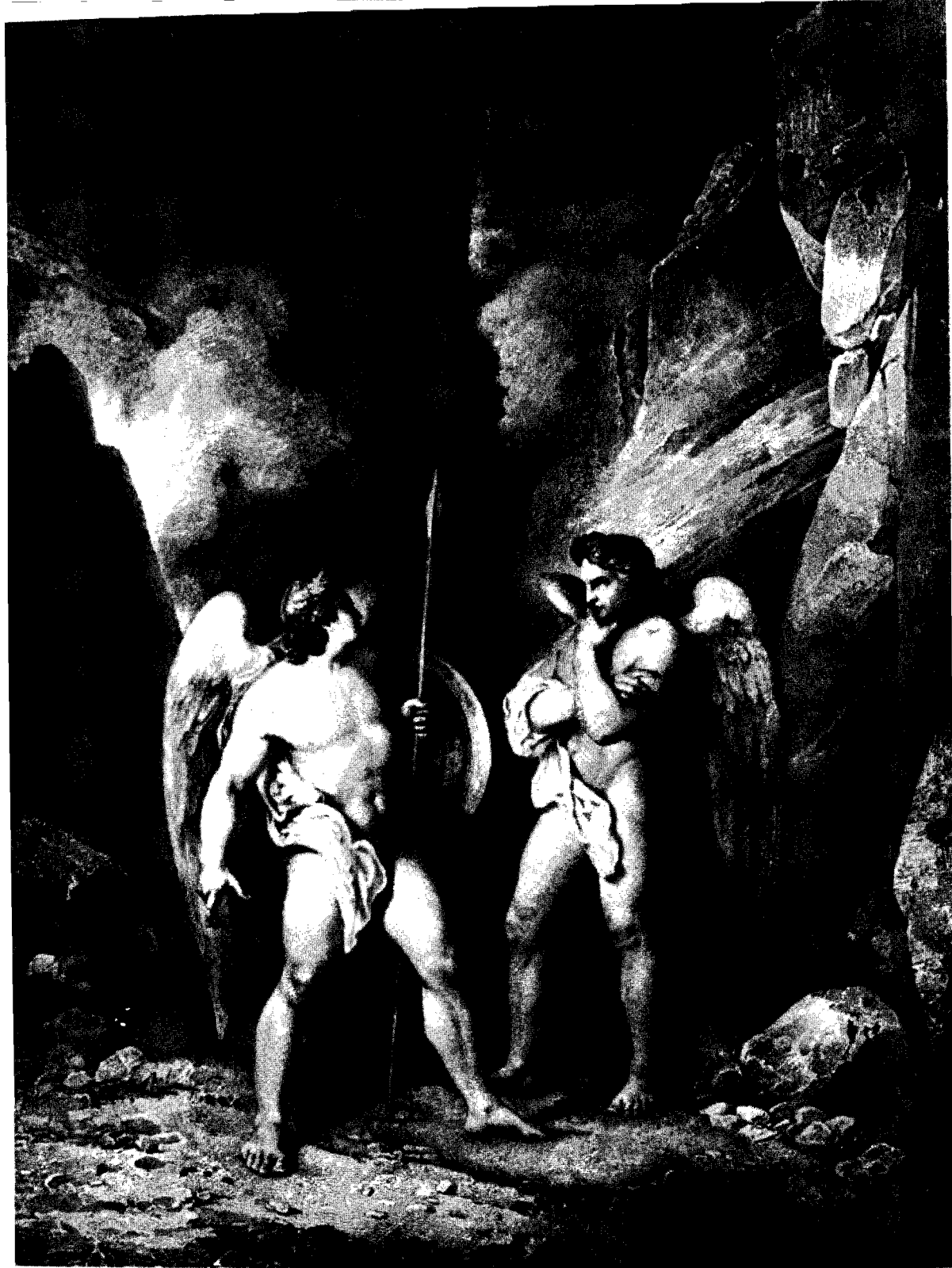
Sarfiel—an ancient amulet angel whose name is recorded in a Palestinian mezuzah, along with the names of 6 other angels. In occultism, Sarfiel is an angel of the 8th hour of the day, serving under Osgaebial. In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, he is one of the numerous guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Sarga (Sarasael)—one of the 5 heavenly scribes appointed by God to transcribe the 204 books dictated by Ezra. The other 4 scribes are Dabria, Seleucia, Ethan (or Ecanus), and Asiel. Here, clearly, Sarga is considered another form for Sarea and Sarasael.

Sargiel (Nasargiel)—an angel who fills Hell with the souls of the 'wicked.

Sar ha-Kodesh—the angelic prince of the sanctuary, or of holiness. Sar ha-Kodesh has been identified with Metatron and Yefefiah (*q.q.v.*).

Sar ha-Olam—literally "prince of the world"



Satan and Belzebuth (fallen angels) in consultation on battle strategy. An illustration for *Paradise Lost* I, after a sculpture by Darodes. Reproduced from Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.

and the equivalent of Sar ha-Panim, "prince of the face." Identified as Michael, Jehoel, Metatron, and—by St. Paul—as Satan. Talmud calls Sar ha-Olam an angel who "bears God's name within him," referring to Exodus 23:21. [Rf. Talmud *Yebamoth* 16b; *Hullin* 60a; *Sanhedrin* 94a.] Sar ha-Olam, like Metatron, is credited with composing Psalms 37:25 and Isaiah 24:16.

Sar ha-Panim—literally "prince of the face" and equated with the prince of the presence; also with Sar ha-Olam.

Sar ha-Torah—literally "prince of the Torah" (Law), who is Yefefiah (q.v.).

Sarhma'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Sariel (Suriel, Zerachiel, Sarakiel, Uriel, etc.)—one of the 7 archangels originally listed in the Enoch books as Saraqel and differentiated from Uriel, although Sariel is identified as Uriel in T. Gaster, *Dead Sea Scriptures*. Sariel is cited both as a holy angel and a fallen one. In occultism he is one of the 9 angels of the summer equinox and is effective as an amulet against the evil eye. He governs the zodiacal sign of the Ram (Aries). In addition, he teaches the course of the moon (which was regarded at one time as forbidden knowledge). [Rf. Glasson, *Greek Influence in Jewish Eschatology*.] In the recently discovered Dead Sea scrolls, one of the books, *The War of the Sons of Light Against the Sons of Darkness*, speaks of the angel Sariel as a name that appears on the shields of the "third Tower," the term Tower having the meaning of a fighting unit. There were 4 Towers in all.

Sarim (Hebrew plural for *sar*, "prince")—an angelic order of the Song-Uttering Choirs under the leadership of Tagas (q.v.). [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Saritaiel (Saritiel)—with a brother genius called Vhnori, Saritaiel governs the zodiacal sign of Sagittarius.

Saritiel [Saritaiel]

Sarmiel—a subordinate of Jehoel, prince of fire (q.v.). [Rf. King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 15.]

Sarospa—"the angel who executes the commands of Ahura-Mazda." [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*.]

Sarphiel—an angel invoked in Syriac incantation charms. In *The Book of Protection*, Sarphiel is grouped with Michael, Shamshiel, and Nuriel as "a spellbinding power."

Sarquamich—a ruling angel of the 3rd hour of the night. [See Haglow.]

Sar Shel Yam ("prince of the sea")—Rahab (q.v.). [Rf. *Midrash Rabbah*.]

Sartael ("God's side")—also called Satarel. An evil archangel, in control of hidden things. Mentioned in Talmud *Berakoth* 57b.

Sartamiel—one of the governing angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Sartzial (Saissaiel)—according to Lèvi, *Transcendental Magic*, the genius governing the zodiacal sign of Scorpio. [Rf. *Prince of Darkness*.]

Sarush [Sirushi, Sraosha]

Sasa'il—in Muslim tradition, an angel of the 4th Heaven in charge of a group of angels (all in the guise of horses) engaged in worshipping Allah. [Rf. Hastings, *Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics* IV, 619.]

Sasgabel—an angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Montgomery, *Aramaic Incantation Texts from Nippur*.]

Sasniel [Sasnigiel]

Sasnigiel (Sasniel, Sagansagel, Sasnesagiel)—in *3 Enoch*, the angelic prince of wisdom, prince of the world, and prince of the presence (or face); also one of the seraphim "appointed over peace." Sasniel is one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Sastashiel Jhvhh—one of the angelic princes of the hosts of X. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Sataaran—the genius in control of the zodiacal sign of the Ram (Aries). Sataaran shares this post

with another genius, Sarahiel (Sariel). [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 413.]

Satael—one of the Tuesday angels of the air invoked in magic rites. Satael serves also as a presiding spirit of the planet Mars. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Satan—the Hebrew meaning of the word is "adversary." In Numbers 22:22 the angel of the Lord stands against Balaam "for an adversary" (satan). In other Old Testament books (Job, I Chronicles, Psalms, Zechariah) the term likewise designates an office; and the angel investing that office is not apostate or fallen. He becomes such starting in early New Testament times and writings, when he emerges as Satan (capital S), the prince of evil and enemy of God, and is characterized by such titles as "prince of this world" (John 16:11) and "prince of the power of the air" (Ephesians 2:2). When Peter was rebuked by Jesus, he was called Satan (Luke 4:8). Reading back into Genesis, medieval writers like Peter Lombard (c. 1100–1160) saw Satan in the guise of the serpent tempting Eve, although other writers, like the 9th-century Bishop Agobard, held that Satan tempted Eve *through* the serpent. As Langton says in *Satan, A Portrait*: "In the later Jewish literature, Satan and the serpent are either identified, or one is made the vehicle of the other." Originally, Satan (as *ha-satan*) was a great angel, chief of the seraphim, head of the order of virtues. While seraphim were usually pictured as 6-winged, Satan was shown as 12-winged. Gregory the Great in his *Moralia*, after listing the 9 hierarchic orders, pays this tribute to Satan: "he wore all of them [all the angels] as a garment, transcending all in glory and knowledge." Talmud claims that Satan was created on the 6th day of Creation (*Bereshith Rabba*, 17). Through a misreading of Isaiah 14:12, he has been identified with Lucifer. To Aquinas, Satan, as "the first angel who sinned" is not a seraph but a cherub, the argument being that "cherubim is [sic] derived from knowledge, which is compatible with mortal sin; but seraphim is [sic] derived from the heat of charity, which is incompatible with mortal sin" (*Summa* 1, 7th art., reply obj. 1). In time, according to Jerome,

Gregory of Nyssa, Origen, Ambrosiaster, and others, Satan will be reinstated in his "pristine splendor and original rank." This is also cabalistic doctrine. In secular lore, Satan figures in many works, notably in Milton's *Paradise Lost*, where he is chief of rebels and the "Arch Angel ruin'd" (I, 593) and in *Paradise Regained*, where he is the "Thief of Paradise" (IV, 604). Also in Vondel's *Lucifer*; in Dryden's *The State of Innocence*; and in Goethe's *Faust* (where he is represented by Mephistopheles). Other names for Satan include Mastema, Beliar or Beliel, Duma, Gadreel, Azazel, Sammael, angel of Edom. In rabbinic lore he has a nickname "the ugly one" (Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 123). In *Midrash Tehillim* Satan appears to David (when the latter was out hunting) in the form of a gazelle. Compare with figure of Mutabilitie (as conceived by Spenser in "Two Cantos of Mutabilitie" in *The Fairie*

Satan bound for a thousand years by the angel of the abyss (Appollyon/Abaddon), a 17th-century illustration of I Revelation 20. Reproduced from Langton, *Satan, A Portrait*.



Queene), the Greek Titaness who challenges Jove's sovereignty and who, like Satan, aspired to and attempted "the empire of the Heavens hight."

Satanail—"his name [Satan's] was formerly Satanail." [Rf. *Enoch II* (the Slavonic Enoch), chap. 31, Morfill edition.]

Satarel [Sartael]

Sathariel ("concealment of God")—the "averse" sefira (q.v.) "who hides the face of mercy." In *The Zohar* (supplement), Sathariel is called Sheiriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*, p. 257.]

Satrapies—a term Milton uses in his "The Reason of Church-Government Urged against Prelaty" to denote an order in the angelic hierarchy not mentioned by pseudo-Dionysius or any other angelologist, as in "Their celestial prince-doms and satrapies."

Saturn—in Persian religious lore, an angel, lord of the 7th Heaven. In the cabala, Saturn is the angel of the wilderness. In Chaldean mythology, he was Adar, one of the ruling gods of the 5 planets. Milton refers to Saturn as a fallen angel (*Paradise Lost* I, 512.)

Saulasau—a power of the upper world. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Sauriel (Sauril, Suriel, Sowrill)—an angel of death, so designated in Drower, *The Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaean*, where Sauriel is referred to as "Sauriel the Releaser."

Savaliel—angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. Mentioned among numerous other guards in *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.

Savaniah—an angel's name found inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the planet Mercury. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Savatri (Savitri, Savitar)—one of the 7 or 12 adityas or "infinite ones" (angels) in Vedic lore. He (or she) is a sun god or goddess, and is described as having "a golden hand, golden eyes" and "drawn by luminous brown steeds with white feet." In Vedic hymns Savatri is identified with

Prajapati, the Creator. "Upon that excellent glory/of the god Savitar may we meditate;/May he stimulate our prayers." [Rf. Forlong, *Encyclopedia of Religions*; Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*; Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Savitar [Savatri]

Savitri [Savatri]

Savliel—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, an angelic porter or guard of the 3rd Heaven.

Savsa—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Savuriel—an angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Sawael—in the *Book of Formation* (a cabalistic work), the angel of the whirlwind. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 375.]

Sazquiel—angelic ruler of the 5th hour, with 10 chiefs and 100 lesser officers serving under him, each with his own attendants. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Scamijm—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven, according to *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Schabtaiel [Schebtaiel]

Schachlil—in transcendental magic, the genius governing the sun's rays; also the governor of the 9th hour, as cited in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Schachniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Schaddyl—a throne angel, one of 15, listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Schaltiel—a spirit who, with the help of Iadara (q.v.), governs the sign of the Virgin in the zodiac. [Rf. *The Prince of Darkness*, p. 177.]

Scharial—in occult lore, an angel who is said to have come out of Sodom for the purpose of curing painful boils. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Schawayt—one of 15 throne angels. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Schebtaiel (Sabbathi)—in the cabala, the lord of the planet Saturn. The term derives from *schebtai*, Hebrew for Saturn. In Notes to his translation of Dante's *Paradiso*, quoting Stehelin, *Rabbinical Literature*, Longfellow refers to Schebtaiel as the intelligence of Saturn. In the earliest manuscript version of *The Golden Legend*, Longfellow favored Anachiel, and then Schebtaiel, as lord of Saturn. Subsequently, however, he discarded both these angels in favor of Orifel.

Schekinah [Shekinah]

Scheliel—one of the 28 angels governing the 28 mansions of the moon.

Schiekron—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, the genius of bestial love, and one of the genii of the 4th hour. [Cf. Pharzuph.]

Schimuel—one of 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Schioel—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Schrewniel ("convert")—in Mosaic incantation rites, an angel to be invoked for obtaining a good memory and an open heart.

Scigin—an angel invoked in goetic rites and mentioned in the grimoires.

Scourging Angels (Hebrew, *malache hab-bala*)—angels "pitiless of mind" whom Abraham encountered during his visit to Paradise. [Rf. *The Testament of Abraham*.]

Scribe of the Knowledge of the Most High—any of the following 9 answer to the title: Vretil, Enoch, Dabriel, Ezra, Pravuil, Uriel, Radueriel, Soferiel Memith, and Soferiel Mehayye.

Scribe of Righteousness—identified as Enoch in the *Vision of Paul XX*. In this Vision, Paul sees Enoch as an angel "at the interior of Paradise."

Scribes—in 3 *Enoch*, the scribes constitute a high order of angels; they register the deeds of all men and read aloud the books of judgment at the convening of the sessions of the celestial court.

Sealiah (Seeliah)—in the cabala, an angel who governs or controls vegetation on earth. He is also one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shemhamphorae. For Sealiah's sigil see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 281.

Sealtiel (Hebrew, "request of God")—an archangel cited in Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology Folklore and Symbols*.

Seats—an order of angels mentioned by Augustine in his *City of God* as *sedes*, and referred to by John Salkeld in the latter's *A Treatise of Angels* (1613), p. 303. The term "seats" may be equated with thrones. Edmund Spenser indicates such use in his "An Hymne of Heavenly Beautie."

Seba'im—a class of angels spoken of in 3 *Enoch*, chap. 19: "When the time draws nigh for the recital of the heavenly song, all the hosts (the *seba'im*) are afrighted."

Sebalim—an order of angels comprised in the Song-Uttering Choirs, operating under the leadership of Tagas (*q.v.*). [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Sebhael (Sebhil)—a spirit in Arabic lore who is in charge of the books wherein are recorded the good and evil actions of man. [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, 1863 ed.]

Second Angel—in *Enoch II*, 30:12, Adam is called "a second angel."

Second Heaven, The—in Islamic lore, the abode of Jesus and John the Baptist. Here (in Jewish lore) the fallen angels are imprisoned and the planets fastened. It was in this Heaven that Moses, during his visit to Paradise, encountered the angel Nuriel, "standing 300 parasangs high, with a retinue of 50 myriads of angels all fashioned out of water and fire." [Rf. *The Legends of the Jews I*, 131, and *II*, 306.]

Seconds (fictional)—the name of an angel in Charles Angoff's short story "God Repents." [See Time.]

Sedekiah—a "treasure-finding angel" whose name figures on the pentacle of the planet Jupiter. Sedekiah may be invoked in Solomonic magical operations.

Sedim (sing. *sedu*)—in Talmud *Abot(h)* the *sedim* are guardian spirits, invoked in the exorcism of evil spirits.

Sedu [sing. for *sedim*]

Seehiah (Seheiah)—in the cabala, one of the 72 angels bearing the mystical name of God Shem-hamphorae. In Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, chart of *L'Arbre de Vie* (facing p. 88), Seehiah is listed as one of 9 angels of the order of dominations, led by Zadkiel. He is credited with the power of bestowing long life and improving the health of those who invoke him. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus II*, chart facing p. 62.]

Seeliah (Saeliah)—in the cabala, a fallen angel once of the order of virtues. He has (or had) dominion over vegetables. When invoking him, and for the best results, it is advisable to recite a verse from Psalm 93. Seeliah is mentioned in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 278.

Sefira (sephira; pl. sefiroth or sephiroth)—a divine emanation through which God manifested His existence in the creation of the universe. In the cabala, there are 10 holy and 10 unholy successive sefiroth, the holy ones issuing from the right side of God, the unholy ones from His left. The 10 holy ones are usually given as: 1. Kether (crown), 2. Chokmah (wisdom), 3. Binah (understanding), 4. Chesed (mercy), 5. Geburah (strength), 6. Tiphereth (beauty), 7. Netzach (victory), 8. Hod (splendor), 9. Jesod (foundation), 10. Malkuth (kingdom). The sefiroth may be compared with the Platonic powers or intelligences, or with the gnostic aeons. In the cabala, the great sefiroth in the form of personalized angels are: Metatron, archangel of the hayyoth hakodesh; Raziel, archangel of the arelim or erelim; Zadkiel, archangel of the hashmalim; Kamael, archangel of the seraphim; Michael, archangel of the shinanim; Haniel, archangel of the tarshishim; Raphael, archangel of the bene elohim; Gabriel, archangel of the kerubim. In the *Book of Formation* is this description of the 10 "ineffable" sefiroth: "They are without limits; the infinity of the Beginning and the infinity of the End; the infinity of the Good and the infinity of the Evil; the infinity of

the Height and the infinity of the Depth . . . their appearance is like that of a flash of lightning, their goal is infinite. His [God's] word is in them when they emanate and when they return . . . and before His throne they prostrate themselves." In the opinion of the 16th-century commentator Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria, of the 10 evil emanations, only 7 were permitted to endure, and of these 7 only 5 have been "authenticated"—Ashmedai, Kafkefoni, Taninniver (blind dragon), Sammael, and Sammael's mate Lilith.

Sefoniel—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, one of two princes ruling the universe, the other being Ioniel. Sefoniel may be invoked in magical operations.

Sefriel—an angelic guard of the 5th Heaven, as listed in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Segef—an angel of destruction invoked at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.] It should be pointed out that the angels of destruction are not by nature evil; only so in a causative sense. They were among the 1st angels to be created. There is no mention of them as among the one-third of the hosts that defected at the time of the great rebellion in Heaven.

Segsubiel YHWH—one of the angel princes of the hosts of X (i.e., God), as listed in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Sehaltiel—an angel to be invoked when one wishes to drive away the archfiend Moloch. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Seheiah—in the cabala, an angel who provides protection against fire, sickness, etc., and governs longevity. His corresponding angel is Sethacer. For Seheiah's sigil, see Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 269.

Sehibiel—an angelic guard of the 2nd Heaven, as listed in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Seimelkhe—a celestial being in gnostic lore, commonly referred to as a power or an aeon. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Seir—another name for Samael, according to Nahmanides. [Rf. Bamberger, *Fallen Angels*, p. 154.]

Seket—in the cabala, a female angel who dwells in Egypt; she is the angel of part of an hour and appears when properly invoked. The poet H.D. sings of Seket in her poem “Sagesse.” Seket is also mentioned in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

Seldac (Sellao, Esaldaio, Sacla)—in gnosticism, one of the angels of the order of powers, in charge of heavenly baptism. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Selemia (Shelemiah, Seleucia)—one of the 5 “men” (i.e., angels) who wrote down the 94 (or 204) books dictated by Ezra, according to popular legend. The other angelic scribes are usually listed as Asiel, Dabria, Ecanus, and Sarae (Sarga). [Rf. the apocryphal work *Esdras II*; Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*.]

Selith—in Klopstock, *The Messiah*, a seraph, one of the 2 guardian angels of the Virgin Mary and St. John the Divine.

Semakiel (Semaqiel)—with another genius called Sagdalon, Semakiel rules the zodiacal sign of Capricorn. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Semalion—in Talmud *Sotah* 13b, the angel who announced the death of Moses with the words “The great scribe is dead!” [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 6.] Note: since Sammael was the one sent from heaven to fetch Moses’ soul, Semalion may be a variant spelling for Sammael. The name occurs also in Talmud *Sanhedrin* 38b and *Hagiga* 13b.

Semanglaf (Samangaluf)—an angel who is to be invoked for help when a woman becomes pregnant; also one of 3 angels who brought Lilith back to Adam.

Semaqiel [Samakiel]

Semieliel (Semishial)—one of the 7 princes “who stand continually before God, and to whom are given the spirit-names of the planets,” according to Cornelius Agrippa. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Book of Moses*.] In Cornelius Agrippa’s

view, as recorded in his *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III, Semieliel (Semeshiah) is the spirit of the Sun.

Semeschiah [Semeliel]

Semiexas [Semyaza]

Semiazaz [Semyaza]

Semibel (Simiel)—one of the 7 angels reprobated at the church council in Rome in 743 C.E. Uriel was one of the 7 reprobated. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Semil [Samuil]

Semishia [Semeliel]

Semjaza [Semyaza]

Semyaza (Semiaza, Shemhazai, Shamazya, Amezyarak, etc.)—probably a running together of Shem (meaning name) and Azza (the angel Azza, or Uzza). He was the leader of the evil angels who fell, or one of the leaders. In legend, he is the seraph tempted by the maiden Ishtahar to reveal to her the Explicit Name (of God.) It is said that he now hangs between heaven and earth, head down, and is the constellation Orion. [Rf. Graves, *Hebrew Myths*.] Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, suggests that Orion “would be identical with the angel Michael doing battle with the dragon, and the appearance of this sign in the sky would be, for the cabalist, a portent of victory and happiness.” According to *The Zohar* (Genesis) Semyaza’s sons, Hiwa and Hiya, by one of Eve’s daughters, were so mighty that they ate daily 1,000 camels, 1,000 horses, and 1,000 oxen. In Byron’s version of the legend (“Heaven and Earth, a Mystery”), Semyaza is transformed into Azazel, and the female Ishtahar into Aholibamah. A recently unearthed version of *Enoch* (Qumram collection) contains a letter from Enoch addressed to Semyaza (Shemazya) and his companions. [Rf. Allegro, *The Dead Sea Scrolls*, p. 119.] Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l’Angélologie*, identifies Semyaza with Azazel.

Senacher—the corresponding angel for Elemiah (q.v.).

Senciner—corresponding angel for Michael;



An 18th-century conception of Adam and Eve after the Fall, with Sin and Death in the background. Having failed to prevent the entrance of Satan into the Garden of Eden, the guardian angels are shown returning to heaven. Reproduced from Langton, *Satan, A Portrait*.

also an angel of the order of powers. Senciner watched over Aedipus Aegyptiacus, as noted in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*. In H.D.'s poem "Sagesse," Senciner is an angel of a quarter of an hour.

Senegorin—advocate angels who form the suite of the chief advocate Metatron. They are 1,800 in number. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*.]

Sennoi (Sinui, Senoi, Sanuy)—with Sansennoi and Sammangeloph, Sennoi was dispatched by God to bring Lilith back to Adam after a falling

out between the pair in the pre-Eve days. Lilith was evil, but an amulet bearing the name Sennoi was sufficient, when Lilith beheld it, to deter her from harming anyone, particularly infants (in, that is, the post-Eden days). For the sigil of Sennoi see *The Book of the Angel Raziel* and Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, 225. [Rf. Ausable, *A Treasury of Jewish Folklore*; Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Sensenoi [Sennoi]

Sensenya—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Sentacer [Ieliahiah]

Seclam—an angel of the order of powers, summoned in ceremonial rites [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Sephar [Vepar]

Sepharon—in Waite, *The Lemegeton*, a chief officer—angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel.

Sepher—one of the 3 seraphim "through whom the world was created," the other 2 being Saphar and Sipur. [Rf. *Sefer Yetzirah*.]

Sepheriel—a great luminary, on the pronouncement of whose name "God will come to Universal Judgment." [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Sephira [Sefira]

Sephiroth (Sefiroth)—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, a power angel of the 5th Seal. He is invoked in cabalistic conjuring rites. [See Sefira.]

Sephuriron—the 10th of the 10 holy sefiroth. He has 3 deputy *sarim* (angelic princes) answerable to him. They are Malkiel, Ithuriel, and Nashriel. Note that, in *Paradise Lost* IV, 800, Ithuriel is the angel dispatched to locate Satan. [Rf. Isaac Cohen of Soria's "Emanations of the Left."]

Serabilin [Jesubilin]

Serael—an angel serving in the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Serakel—an angel who exercises dominion over fruit-bearing trees. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Seralif—an anagram for Israfel. An angel who participates in a dialogue with Gabriel, Michael, Raphael, and a chorus of angels in the poem "Virginalia" by Thomas Holley Chivers. For a while Chivers (American poet, 1809–1858) was associated with Poe, whose biography he wrote.

Seraph ("fiery serpent," sing. for seraphim)—an angel by that name of the order of seraphim. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 263, it is Seraph who touches Isaiah's lips with a live coal, an incident related in Isaiah 6:6. Seraph is also named one of the angels with dominion over the element of fire, of which there are quite a number. See Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.

Seraphiel—eponymous chief of the order of seraphim, although Jehoel and others are also designated chief. Seraphiel ranks highest of the princes of the Merkabah as one of the judgment throne angels (of which there are commonly 8). In occult lore, Seraphiel is a presiding spirit of the planet Mercury, ruling on Tuesday and invoked from the north. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, 119; *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 35; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Seraphim (pl. for seraph)—the highest order of angels in the pseudo-Dionysian hierarchic scheme and generally also in Jewish lore. The seraphim surround the throne of Glory and unceasingly intone the trisagion ("holy, holy, holy"). They are the angels of love, of light, and of fire. How many are there? The answer (in *3 Enoch*) is 4, "corresponding to the 4 winds of the world." In rabbinic writings they are equated with the hayyoth (*q.v.*). According to *Enoch II*, the seraphim have 4 faces and 6 wings, as in Isaiah 6. It is to be noted that the Isaiah mention is the only one to seraphim in the Old Testament, unless the expression "fiery serpents" (Numbers 21:6) may be taken to denote them. There is no mention of seraphim in the New Testament, except by implication (Revelation 4:8). The ruling prince of the

order has been given variously as Seraphiel, Jehoel, Metatron, Michael, and originally as Satan (before he fell). Some of the order defected at the time of the great rebellion. In his "On the Morning of Christ's Nativity," Milton speaks of the "sworded seraphim." The *Revelation of Moses* speaks of "one of the 6-winged seraphim hurrying Adam to the Acherusian lake and washing him in the presence of God." In this book the seraphim are said to "roar like lions." Mathias Gruenewald (1470–1529) painted seraphim playing on the viola d'amour. [Rf. reproductions in Régamey, *Anges*.]

Serapiel—an angel of the 5th hour of the day, serving under Sazquiel, as cited in Solomonic magical lore. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Seraquiel—a "strong and powerful angel" who is invoked on Saturday. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II, p. 126.]

Seratiel—with Sagham (another genius or angel), Seratiel is said to govern the sign of Leo. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 413; *Prince of Darkness: A Witchcraft Anthology*, p. 177.]

Sereda (fictional)—in Cabell's *Jurgen*, Mother Sereda has dominion over Wednesday. She is the one who "washes away all the colors in the world." She is the sister of Pandelis.

Seref—an angel who transported to Heaven the bodies of deceased Egyptian kings. [Rf. Langton, *Essentials of Demonology*, p. 39.]

Seriel (Sariel)—a fallen angel who taught men the signs of the moon. However, as Sariel, he is one of the 7 archangels who stand around the throne of God. He is sometimes equated with Uriel. [Rf. *Enoch I*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.]

Serosh [Sraosha]

Serpanim ("prince of the face")—an angelic power in the world of Briah (one of the 4 worlds of Creation). [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Seruf (or Seruph)—an angel prince set over the element of fire. He is a seraph, as his name denotes, and is another name for Nathaniel. [Rf. *The Sixth*

and *Seventh Books of Moses*.] Seruf is also credited with being, in occult works, an angel of the order of force (i.e., virtues) and of the order of seraphim.

Servant of God—the angel Abdiel (q.v.). “Servant of God” is the literal meaning of Abdiel, who is so addressed in *Paradise Lost* VI, 29.

Servants (*‘ebed*)—a term for God’s serving angels in hechaloth and Merkabah lore. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Serviel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the day, serving under Vaguaniel.

Sesenges(n)-Barpharanges—the term or name of a group of angels, according to the Coptic Christians. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, p. 100.] Also the name of a powerful demonic spirit.

Setchiel—an angel who is served by Turiel in magical conjurations. [Rf. Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 36.]

Seth—one of the 7 archons in the gnostic system. [Rf. *Catholic Encyclopedia*, “Gnosticism.”]

Setheus—one of the great celestial powers dwelling in the 6th Heaven. [Rf. Malinine, *Revelations of Zostrian*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*.]

Sethlans—one of the Novensiles (who are the 9 great gods of the Etruscans). For a list of the Novensiles, see Appendix.

Setphael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma’asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard of the 1st of the 7 heavenly halls.

Seven Archangels—known as the 7 holy ones who stand around the throne of God and attend Him (Revelation 8:2; *Book of Tobit* 12:15). In Ezra IV and *Enoch I*, the 7 are named: 1. Uriel, 2. Raphael, 3. Raguel, 4. Michael, 5. Sariel or Seraqel, 6. Gabriel, 7. Remiel or Jeremiel. Other lists give Anael, Samael, Zadkiel, Orifiel (in addition to the others already named). See also Ezekiel 9:2 for the 6 “men” (i.e., angels) and a 7th, the “man clothed with linen” (Christ) carrying a writer’s inkhorn. In horoscopy and hermetics, the

7 great planetary genii (archangels) are: 1. Rampha, genius of Saturn; 2. Pi-Zeus, genius of Jupiter; 3. Ertosi, genius of Mars; 4. Pi-Re, genius of the Sun; 5. Suroth, genius of Venus; 6. Pi-Hermes, genius of Mercury; 7. Pi-Joh, genius of the Moon. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* II, 475.] Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, gives the “7 spirits who always stand in the presence of God” (i.e., the angels of the presence) as rulers of the 7 planets, to wit: 1. Zapkiel, over Saturn; 2. Zadkiel, over Jupiter; 3. Camuel, over Mars; 4. Raphael, over the Sun; 5. Haniel, over Venus; 6. Michael, over Mercury; 7. Gabriel, over the Moon. But see entry, Seven Olympic Spirits, for the names of others as rulers of these “planets.” The 7 Akkadian elemental spirits or deities, which may have been the prototype of the 7 rulers or creators in the cosmology of later cultures, are given as: An (Heaven), Gula (earth), Ud (sun), Im (storm), Istar (moon), Ea or Dara (ocean), En-lil (Hell). In “Angelology and Demonology in Early Judaism” (Manson, *A Companion to the Bible*) W. O. E. Oesterley expresses the belief that “the prototype of the 7 archangels were the 7 planets, all of them Babylonian Deities.”

Seven Heavens—in Hebrew terms and lore, the 7 Heavens are designated as follows, along with their governing angels: 1. Shamayim, ruled over by Gabriel; 2. Raqia, ruled over by Zachariel and Raphael; 3. Shehaqim, ruled over by Anahel and three subordinate *sarim*: Jagniel, Rabacyel, and Dalquiel; 4. Machonon, ruled over by Michael; 5. Mathey, ruled over by Sandalphon; 6. Zebul, ruled over by Zachiel, assisted by Zebul (by day) and Sabath (by night); 7. Araboth, ruled over by Cassiel. In *Enoch II*, 8, the Garden of Eden and the Tree of Life are both found in the 3rd Heaven (see in this connection II Corinthians 12:2–3, which speaks of Paul being caught up in the 3rd Heaven). *The Zohar* mentions 390 Heavens and 70,000 worlds. The gnostic Basilides vouched for 365 Heavens; Jellinek (in *Beth Ha-Midrash*) recalls a legend which tells of 955 Heavens. In *Enoch II* the Heavens number 10. Here the 8th Heaven is called Muzaloth. This Heaven, according to *Hagiga* 12b, is really the 7th Heaven. The 9th Heaven, home

of the 12 signs of the zodiac, is called Kukhavim. The 10th, where Enoch saw the "vision of the face of the Lord," is called Aravoth (Hebrew term for the 12 signs of the zodiac). The confusion of the Heavens is clear here from the fact that the signs of the zodiac do not lodge in the Heavens named after them. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*.] The notion of 7 Heavens appears in *The Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs* and other Jewish apocrypha, and was familiar to the ancient Persians and Babylonians. The Persians pictured the Almighty in the highest of the 7 Heavens, "seated on a great white throne, surrounded by winged cherubim." The Koran (*sura* 23) also speaks of 7 Heavens.

Seven Holy Ones [Seven Archangels]

Seven Olympic Spirits—according to the grimoires, the 7 Olympic Spirits are: 1. Aratron, who governs the planet Saturn; 2. Bethor, who governs the planet Jupiter; 3. Hagith, who governs the planet Venus; 4. Och, who governs the Sun; 5. Ophiel, who governs the planet Mercury; 6. Phaleg, who governs the planet Mars; 7. Phul, who governs the Moon. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Seven Stewards of Heaven—another term for the seven Olympic Spirits (*q.v.*).

Seven Supreme Angels—in the cabala, rulers of the 196 provinces into which Heaven is divided. The sigils of these angels are shown in Cornelius Agrippa's philosophical works and are reproduced in Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.

Seventh Heaven—the abode of human souls waiting to be born. It is also the seat of God; of Zagzagel, prince of the Torah; and the dwelling place of the seraphim, hayyoth, etc. [Rf. *Talmud Hagiga* 12b; *Enoch II*; *The Legends of the Jews* II, 309.] It is in the 7th Heaven, according to the apocalyptic *The Ascension of Isaiah*, that Isaiah has a glimpse of God and the Christ and "hears the Most High dictating the program of his [Christ's] earthly manifestation and return."

Seventh Satan [Hakael]

Seventy-two Names of God—cited in the *Grimoire of Pope Honorius the Great*. Many of these names are identifiable with the names of angels. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 240; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 261.]

Sgrdtsih—an angel (one of the *nomina barbara*) who "ministers to the son of man," according to M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Shabni (or Shabti)—an angel invoked in ceremonial magic rites, as noted in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Shachmiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Shadfiel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Shaftiel—an angel who rules in Hell. He is lord of the shadow of death and his special province is in the 3rd lodge of the 7 divisions in which the underworld is divided. He punishes 10 nations "for cause." [Rf. *Baraita de Massechet Gehinnom*; *Midrash Konen*; *Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable*, "Hell."]

Shafiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Shahakiel (Shachaqiel)—an angelic prince resident in the 4th Heaven. According to 3 *Enoch*, Shahakiel is one of the 7 archangels as well as eponymous head of the order of Shahakim. [Rf. Charles, *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament*.]

Shahakim—in rabbinic lore, an order of angels in the celestial hierarchy. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*.]

Shahariel—an angelic guard of the 2nd Heaven, as listed in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Shahiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Shahrivar(i)—the angel of August in ancient Persian lore. Shahrivar also governed the 4th day

of the month. [Rf. Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.]

Shaitan (Satan)—one of the fallen angels in Arabic lore. Shaitan is a cognate term for Iblis (*q.v.*). In the Koran, *sura* 27, 24, Shaitan (Satan) induces the Queen of Sheba and her people to adore the sun instead of Allah.

Shaitans (shedeem, sheytans, shedim, mazi-keen)—evil spirits in Hebrew and Arabic mythology; they have cock's feet. In rabbinic lore, the shaitans are male demons, the female being known as lilin. [Rf. Talmud *Berachoth*; Langton, *Essentials of Demonology*; Oesterley's article in Manson, *A Companion to the Bible*.]

Shakti—in Vedic lore the bride of Shiva. Shakti is the prototype of the Shekinah (*q.v.*).

Shakziel—an angel with dominion over water insects. [Rf. *The Book of Enoch*.]

Shalgiel—an angel with dominion over snow. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Shalhevita—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 7th heavenly hall.

Shalkiel and **Shalmiel**—angels whose names are found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Shaltiel—an angel's name inscribed (along with the names of Michael, Raphael, Uriel) on earthen bowls found in the Euphrates Valley and invoked as a charm. [Rf. Boswell, "The Evolution of Angels and Demons."]

Shamain (Shamayim)—a name for the 1st Heaven, of which the chief ruler is the angel Mikael (Michael) or Qemuel (Kemuel).

Shamchazai, Shamhazai, Shamiazaz [Sem-yaza]

Shamdan (Ashamdon)—the angel-demon who mated with Naamah, "lovely sister of Tubal-cain, who led the angels astray with her beauty." The fruit of the union of Shamdan and Naamah was Asmodeus (*q.v.*). [Rf. *The Legends of the Jews* I, 150–151.] According to *Bereshith Rabba*, 36:3,



A benevolent genie (in Assyro-Babylonian mythology) holding in his hand the pail of lustral water and the pine cone with which he sprinkles the water to keep off evil spirits. This genie was the guardian of the gate of Sargon's palace. A work of the 8th century B.C.E., now in the Louvre. From *Larousse Encyclopedia of Mythology*.

Shamdan was Noah's partner in planting a vineyard, which led to Noah's drinking, and being "uncovered within his tent," an incident related in Genesis 9:20–22.

Sham(m)iel (Shamael)—master of heavenly song and divine herald. (In Jewish legend, Metatron and Radueriel are likewise denoted masters of heavenly song.) Shamiel is invoked in Syriac spellbinding charms, along with Michael, Harshiel, Nuriel, and other angels of similar rank. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*.] In the *Ozar Midrashim*, Shamiel

(as distinguished from Shamael) is listed among the angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind.

Shamlon—a “prince over all the angels and the Caesars,” according to *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Shamriel—in occultism, designated a guardian angel who may be invoked as a charm against the evil eye. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Shams-ed-Din (“sun of the faith”)—one of the 7 Yezidic archangels invoked in prayer by the devil worshippers. For the names of the 6 other archangels, see Appendix.

Shamsha—like Shamlon, a “prince over all the angels and the Caesars.”

Shams(h)iel (“light of day,” “mighty sun of God”)—a ruler of the 4th Heaven and prince of Paradise; also guardian angel of Eden (Eden being the earthly paradise). It was Shamshiel who conducted Moses around the heavenly Paradise when the Lawgiver, according to legend, visited the upper regions while he was still in the flesh. It was to Shamshiel that the treasures of David and Solomon were turned over by the scribe Hilkiah. In *The Zohar*, Shamshiel is head of 365 legions of spirits (angels). He crowns prayers, just as other great angels do, and accompanies them to the 5th Heaven. In *The Book of Protection*, Shamshiel is grouped with Michael, Nuriel, and Sarphiel as a spellbinding power. In *The Book of Jubilees* he is one of the watchers or grigori (*q.v.*), and is equated with Samsapeel. In *Enoch I* he rates as a fallen angel who “taught the signs of the sun.” According to *The Zohar* (Numbers 154b) he served as one of the 2 chief aides to Uriel (the other aide being Hasdiel) when Uriel bore his standard in battle.

Shaphiel—a ruling prince of the 3rd Heaven sharing the post with Baradiel (*q.v.*).

Shariel [Asderel]

Sharka'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, “Angels.”]

Sharlaji—in the Talmud, an angel invoked for

the curing of cutaneous disorders. [Rf. Talmud *Shabbath*, fol. 67.]

Sharshiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Shashmasrihiel Jhvhh—an angel prince of the hosts of X (one of the *nomina barbara*) cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Shastaniel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Shateiel—angel of silence, to be compared with Duma (*q.v.*). Shateiel probably inspired the creation of the Greek God Sigalion (if, indeed, it was not the other way around). Cf. also Tacita, Roman goddess of silence, and Harpocratos, son of Isis, who was a god of silence. [Rf. Woodcock, *Short Dictionary of Mythology*.]

Shathniel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Shatqiel—in 3 *Enoch* (Hebrew Book of Enoch) Shatqiel figures among the 7 great archangels, and as a guardian prince of the 5th Heaven. In *Hechaloth Rabbati*, he is a guard of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Shaviel—one of the 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven, as noted in *Hechaloth Rabbati*.

Shavzriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 2nd heavenly hall.

Shebniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Sheburriel—chief porter of the 3rd Heaven, as designated in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Shedu—a Babylonian protecting household spirit, invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. Mackenzie, *Myths of Babylonia and Assyria*; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 156.]

Shegatsiel—an angelic prince of the hosts of X (i.e., God). [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Sheikh Bakra and **Sheikh Ism**—two of the 7 archangels in Yezidic religion invoked in prayer by the devil worshippers. [See Appendix for the names of the other 5 Yezidic archangels.]

Sheireil [Sathariel]

Shekinah (Hebrew, *shachan*, meaning “to reside”—Schechinah, Matrona, etc.)—the female manifestation of God in man, the divine *inwohnung* (indwelling). Also, the “bride of the Lord,” compatible with the shakti of Shiva. The expression “the Shekinah rests” is used as a paraphrase for “God dwells.” In Genesis 48:16 “the Angel which redeemed me from all evil,” uttered by Israel (Jacob), applies to the Shekinah, according to *The Zohar* (Balak 187a). In the New Testament sense, the Shekinah is the glory emanating from God, His effulgence. The passage in Matthew 18:20 is translated by C. W. Emmet (in Hastings, *Dictionary of the Bible*) to read: “when two sit together and are occupied with the word of the Law, the Shekinah is with him.” As interpreted by Rabbi Johanan (*Midrash Rabba*; Exodus), Michael is the glory of the Shekinah. The Shekinah is the liberating Angel, manifesting in her male aspect as Metatron. In the cabala, she is the 10th sefira Malkuth, otherwise the Queen. The creation of the world was, according to *The Zohar* (suppl.), the work of the Shekinah. Here, too, the Shekinah is spoken of as “abiding in the 12 holy chariots and the 12 supernal hayyoth.” Elsewhere in *The Zohar* (Balak-Numbers 187a) she is mentioned as a messenger from on high who, when she first appeared to Moses, was called an angel, just as she was called by Jacob. In *The Zohar* (Exodus 51a) she is “the way of the Tree of Life” and the “angel of the Lord.” Maimonides in *Moreh Nebuchim* regarded the Shekinah as an intermediary between God and the world, or as a periphrasis for God. [Rf. *Universal Jewish Encyclopaedia*, vol. 9, p. 501.] The Shekinah has been identified with the Holy Ghost and the Epinoia of the gnostic Valentinus. Of her it has been said (Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*) “Behold, I send an angel before thee, to keep thee in the way” (Exodus 23:20), which has also been applied to Metatron and John the Baptist, “the forerunner angel.” According to legend (Ginz-

berg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 148 and 200), Aaron died by a kiss from the Shekinah. In the same source (II, 260) it is related that Abraham caused the Shekinah to come down from the 2nd Heaven. And Talmud tells us that when God drove Adam out of the earthly paradise, the Shekinah remained behind “enthroned above a cherub under the Tree of Life, her splendor being 65,000 times brighter than the sun,” and that this radiance “made all upon whom it fell exempt from disease”; and, further, that then “neither insects nor demons could come nigh unto such to do them harm.” An account somewhat at variance with the foregoing is given in Scholem’s two works: *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism* and *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, where it is reported that the Shekinah was sent into exile on Adam’s fall and that “to lead the Shekinah back to God and to unite her with Him is the true purpose of the Torah.” A reference to the dwelling place of the Shekinah occurs in *Canticles Rabba* 6: “The original abode of the Shekinah was among the tahtonim [that is, among the lower ones: human beings, earth]. When Adam sinned, it [the abode] ascended to the 1st Heaven. With Cain’s sin, it ascended to the 2nd Heaven. With Enoch’s, to the 3rd. With the generation of the Flood, to the 4th. With the generation of the Tower of Babel, to the 5th. With the Sodomites, to the 6th. With the sin of the Egyptians in the days of Abraham, to the 7th.” Corresponding to these, there arose 7 righteous men who brought the Shekinah back to earth again. They were Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Levi, Kehath (Levi’s son and Moses’ grandfather), Amram, and Moses. A haggadah about the Shekinah is that she hovers over all conjugal unions between Jewish husbands and wives and blesses such unions with her presence. [See Talmud *Shabbath* 55b; *Bereshith Rabba* 98, 4, etc. In this reference, cf. the Roman goddess Pertunda, presider over the marriage couch.]

Shekiniel—angelic guard of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Shelemial—angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shelviel—angel of the order of tarshishim. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 67.]

Shem ("name") (Melchizedec)—in Manichaean lore, "one of the great envoys of Heaven to whom the angels revealed the divine wisdom." In Mandaean theology, Shem is Shum-Kushta. [Rf. *Mandaean Book of John the Baptist*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 155.]

Shemael (Kemuel, Camael, Shemuël—"name of God")—the mighty angel who stands at the windows of Heaven listening for the songs of praise ascending from synagogues and houses of study of the Jews. He is the archon in Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*. The name derives from the 1st word of the Hebrew song of praise.

Shemhazai [Semyaza]

Shemmiel [Shemael]

Shepherd—one of the 6 angels of repentance, equated with Phanuel (q.v.). It was Shepherd who dictated the vision to Heras. [Rf. *The Shepherd of Heras* II and III.] In the work just referred to, however, another Shepherd is spoken of: "a cruel and implacable Shepherd" and "one of the holy angels appointed for the punishment of sinners." He is not named. Moses was known in later Jewish literature as "the faithful shepherd" and Jesus applied the title "good shepherd" to himself in John 10:11. [Rf. T. Gaster, *The Dead Sea Scriptures*, p. 321.] Note: *The Shepherd of Heras* was at one time quoted as sacred Scripture by Origen, Irenaeus, pseudo-Cyprian, etc.

Shepherd of Heras [Phanuel]

Shetel—one of 3 ministering angels (the other 2 being Aebel and Anush), whom God appointed to serve Adam. According to *Yalkut Reubeni* and *The Book of Adam and Eve*, the 3 angels not only "roasted meat" for Adam, but also "cooled his wine."

Sheviel (Shaviel)—an angelic porter at the 1st Heaven, cited in *Pirke Hechaloth*.

Sheziem—an angel invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Shimshiel—an angelic guard of the gates of the East Wind.

Shinanin (Shin'an)—a high class of angels, "the shinanin of the fire," adduced from Psalms 68:18 and referred to in 3 *Enoch*. Myriads of these shinanin descended from Heaven to be present at the revelation on Sinai. [Rf. *Pesikta Rabba*.] According to *The Zohar* (1:18b) "myriads of thousands of shin'an are on the chariot of God." Chief of the order is Zadkiel or Sidquiel. Compare with the ofanim. [Rf. Psalms 68:18; Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*; Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*, p. 26.] "The 6th sefira, tifereth (tiphereth) is represented among the angels of the shinanin," says C. D. Ginsburg, in *The Essenes and The Kabbalah*.

Shinial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shitimichum (Shitimichus Kitagnifai)—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, Shitimichum (one of the *nomina barbara*) is among the 13 angel chiefs appointed by God to the sword.

Shlasiel A' (Shlotiel A' and other variants)—an angel prince of the hosts of X (God), cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Shlomiel—an angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.]

Shmuël (Samael)—"chief of all the angels and all the 10 classes who spoke to Solomon and gave him the key to the mysteries," according to a citation in Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.

Shoel—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shoftiel ("judge of God")—one of the 7 angels of punishment. [Rf. Jellinek, *Beth ha-Midrash; Maseket Gan Eden and Gehinnom; Jewish Encyclopedia*, I, 593.]

Shokad—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shomrom (Shunaron)—"a prince over all the angels and Caesars," according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Shosoriyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Shriniel—an angelic guard of the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shtukial—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Shufiel—an angel invoked in Syriac conjuring rites. Grouped with Gabriel, Michael, Harshiel, and other spellbinding angels. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Shunaron—"a prince over all the angels and Caesars," so Shunaron is ranked in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Sialul—the genius of prosperity. In de Abano, *The Heptameron*, Sialul is included among the spirits of the 7th hour, and may be invoked during that hour.

Sidqiel—in 3 *Enoch*, governor of the planet Venus and prince of the order of ofanim or shinanim (the ofanim being the Hebrew equivalent of the order of thrones, and the shinanim of an order close to the seraphim in rank).

Sidriel (Pazriel)—prince of the 1st Heaven and one of the 7 archangels in the Enoch listings.

Sieme—in the cabala, an angel of part of an hour, specifically 3:20 p.m. He is of the order of virtues and is called "ange du Seigneur" in H.D.'s (Hilda Doolittle's) poem "Sagesse." Sieme's corresponding angel is Asaliah.

Sigron—in hechaloth lore, a name for Metatron "when he shuts the doors of prayers (doors through which a man's prayers are let into Heaven). When the doors are opened, Metatron is then called Pihon." [Rf. 3 *Enoch*, 48.]

Sihail—"and God sent 2 angels, Sihail and Anas, and 4 Evangelists to take hold of the 12 fever demons [all female] and beat them with fiery rods." The tale is told in a 12th-century Ms. in the British Museum and is retold by M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts in Folklore* II, 1030. Gaster believes that Sihail is merely another form for Michail (Michael) and Anas is St. Anne, here turned into an angel.

Sihon—grandson of the fallen angel Semyaza and brother of Og (*q.v.*). [Rf. Jung, *Fallen Angels in Jewish, Christian and Mohammedan Literature*.]

Sij-ed-Din ("power of mercy")—one of the 7 archangels in Yezidic religious lore, invoked in prayer.

Sikiel—an angel of the sirocco. Sikiel is cited in the *Sefer Yetzirah* (*Book of Formation*). [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.] In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Sikiel is a guardian angel of the gates of the West Wind.

Sila—an angel of power; also the angel of an hour invoked in cabalistic rites. [Rf. H.D.'s (Hilda Doolittle's) poem "Sagesse"; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Silat (Tilath, Feluth)—in the *Grimorium Verum*, an angel invoked in goetic ritual. In Mohammedan lore, Silat is a female demon. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, p. 521.]

Silmai (Shelmai)—in Mandaean religious lore, one of two guardian spirits (*uthri*) of the river Jordan; the other *uthra* is Nidbai.

Simapesiel—one of the fallen angels in Enoch listings.

Simiel (Chamuel, Semibel)—one of the 7 archangels. However, at a Church Council in Rome, 745 C.E., Simiel was reprobated (along with Uriel, Raguel, and other high-ranking angels) as a false or evil spirit and not to be venerated. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.] At the Council of Laodicia (343–381? C.E.), to name angels was expressly forbidden (canon 35). Josephus mentions, as among the religious rites of the Essenes, the taking of oaths not to reveal the names of angels. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 89.]

Simkiel—chief of the angels of destruction appointed by God to deal with the wicked on earth. [See Za'arfiel.] According to 3 *Enoch*, Simkiel has the function not only of executing judgment on man but also of purifying him.

Simulator—in Solomonian magic, an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors.

Sinui—an amulet angel invoked in Mosaic incantation rites when a woman is pregnant. [See Sennoi.]

Siona—a seraph in Klopstock, *The Messiah*.

Sipur—one of the 3 seraphim (the other 2 being Sepher and Saphar) through whom the world is said to have been created. [Rf. Waite, *Book of Formation*.]

Sirbiel—one of the angelic princes of the Merkabah, as noted in *3 Enoch* and *Hechaloth Rabbati*.

Sirushi (Surush Ashu, Sarush, Sraosha, Ashu)—the angel of Paradise in ancient Persian lore; also the “master of announcements.” [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 144.]

Sisera—genius of desire; one of the genii to be invoked during the 2nd hour, according to Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*. In the Old Testament (Judges 4), Sisera is a general slain by Jael “with the aid of the stars and the angels.”

Sislau—genius of poisons and one of the genii of the 4th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Sitael—a seraph invoked to overcome adversity. He rules the nobility and is one of the 72 angels of the zodiac; also one of the 72 angels that bear the name of God Shemhamphorae. See H.D.’s poem “Sagesse” and Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260, where Sitael’s sigil is shown.

Sith—angel of an hour (6 to 7 o’clock); a regent ruling a planet. Sith’s corresponding angel is Nelchael. [Rf. H.D.’s poem “Sagesse”; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Sithacer—corresponding angel for Seheiah (q.v.).

Sithriel—a name by which Metatron is called “when he hides the children of the world under his wings to preserve them from the angels of destruction.” [Rf. *3 Enoch*, 48.]

Sitriel [Sitael]

Sitra Kadisha—in the *Tosefta* ii, 69b, a holy spirit. He is contrasted with Sitra Ahara (unclean spirit). [Rf. *The Talmudic Anthology*, p. 115.]

Sitriel—in the listing of Moses of Burgos, Sitriel is 3rd of the 10 unholy sefiroth.

Sittacibor—an angel conjured up in Wax exorcisms. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Sittiah—like Sittacibor, an angel conjured up in Wax exorcism. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Six Highest Angelic (or Philonic) Powers—these 6 highest angelic powers correspond to, or are derived from, the 6 amesha spentas that surround the throne of God (in Zoroastrianism, God being Ahura-Mazda). In *Baruch III* the 6 highest angelic powers are: 1. divine logos (identified by Philo as Michael); 2. creative power; 3. sovereign power; 4. mercy; 5. legislation; 6. punitive power.

Sixth Angel, The—in Revelation, the 6th angel (not named) is one of the 7 angels of wrath that “loosed the 4 angels which were bound in the great river Euphrates” and that were “prepared to slay the 3rd part of men.”

Sixth Heaven, The—in Islamic lore, the abode of the guardian angel of Heaven and earth, “half snow, half fire.” The angel is not identified by name.

Sizajasel—in ceremonial magic, an angel representing or governing the sign of Sagittarius in the zodiac. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Sizouze—in ancient Persian mythology, the angel who presided over prayers. [Cf. Akatriel; Metatron; Sandalphon.]

Skd Huzi [Soqed Hozl]

Sktm—one of 14 conjuring angels of the Sword as cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. Sktm is also one of the ineffable names of God.

Slattery (fictional)—an angel referred to in the Introduction by Dixon Wecter to Mark Twain’s *Report from Paradise*. It is in an unprinted fragment of Twain’s Stormfield cycle that Slattery appears. In that fragment, Slattery is reported to have witnessed the creation of Man.

Smal (Sammael)—angel of death and of poison, whose wife, Eisheth Zenunim, is the woman of whoredom. The 2 together, united, are known as the beast Chioa. [Rf. Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*.]

Smandriel [Samandiriel]

Smat—corresponding angel for Mebahiah (*q.v.*). In the cabala, Smat shares with Mebahiah in exercising dominion over morals and religion.

Smeliel—in Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, the spirit of the sun. His corresponding intelligence is Nagiel.

Smnglf [Samangaluf]

Smoel [Saminael]

Sngotiqtel—an angel that ministers to the son of man [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*].

Sniel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Sochiel—one of the ruling archangels of the earthly triplicities governing the 360 degrees of the zodiac, as reported in Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Sociable Spirit, The—the angel Raphael is so referred to by Milton in *Paradise Lost* V.

Socodiah (Socohiah)—an angel's name inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet Venus. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Sodiel—in *3 Enoch*, 17, a ruling prince of the 3rd Heaven.

Sodyah—in hechaloth lore, an angel who assists Metatron (*q.v.*) in reciting the *Shema*. [*Rf. introd., 3 Enoch.*]

Sofiel—an angel who ministers to garden fruit and vegetables. [*Rf. M. Gaster, The Sword of Moses.*]

Sofriel (Sopher, Sopheriel)—an angelic book-keeper appointed over the records of the living and the dead. There are two Sofriels; Sofriel Memith and Sofriel Mehayye. They are bearers of God's name (YHWH). [*Rf. The Zohar; 3 Enoch.*]



Hebrew amulet inscribed with the hexagon of Solomon and Shaddai (a name for God). From Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.

Sohemne—an angel of the Seal. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Sokath—a spirit of the sun, of which “planet” the angel Nakhiel is the presiding intelligence, according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talismans. Sokath apparently shares the post with Nakhiel or alternates with him. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I.]

Solmis—a great celestial luminary cited in the gnostic *Revelations of Zostrian*.

Soluzen—the name of an angel inscribed (in green) on the pentagon of Solomon, Fig. 156, in Waite, *The Lemegeton*.

Somcham—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind.

Soncas (Soneas)—an angel of the 5th Heaven, ruler of Tuesday. He is to be invoked from the west. [Rf. Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Song-Uttering Choirs—a class of singing angels under the direction of Tagas. The Sallisim (*q.v.*) were a part of these choirs and inhabited the 5th Heaven (Maon). [*Rf. Talmud Hagiga.*] When the Song-Uttering Choirs failed to perform the Qedussa (trisagion) at the right time, they were consumed by fire.

Sonitas—an angel serving in the 5th Heaven.
[*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Sonneillon (Sonnillon)—an angel, now fallen,

once of the order of thrones. He is cited as one of 3 "devils" that possessed the body of the notorious 16th-century nun, Sister Louise Capeau (or Capelle). [Rf. Michaelis, *Admirable History of the Possession and Conversion of a Penitent Woman.*]

Son of God—an angel so called in *II Esdras* (*IV Esdras*). The title is commonly applied to Jesus.

Sons of God—a term in Genesis 6 commonly interpreted to mean angels. The Sons of God, having consorted with mortal women, became fallen angels. This was the view of Josephus, a view that has persisted for many centuries, even down to our own times, although other interpretations have not been wanting. Milton thought (*Paradise Regained* II) that these "false-titled sons of God were fallen angels." Cf. Job 38:7, "When the morning stars sang together and the sons of God shouted for joy." In the cabala, the term stands for "a distinctive order of celestial beings (the *bene elohim*), answering to the 8th sephira [Hod]," says C. D. Ginsburg in *The Essenes/The Kabbalah*, p. 92. Apropos of what has just been said of "other interpretations," it should be noted that Simeon ben Yohai, alleged author of *The Zohar*, cursed anyone, particularly his disciples, who interpreted Genesis 6 as representing the sons of God "having sexual organs and committing fornication with the daughters of men." [Rf. *The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge*, "Angels."]

Sons of Heaven—angels, according to *The Manual of Discipline*, who sit at the divine council deliberations. In Mansoor *The Thanksgiving Hymns*, the term connotes simply good angels.

Sons of Princes—an order of angels, "one of 10 classes in Talmud and Targum," says Voltaire in his "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils." Literally speaking, there can be no "sons of princes" (sons used here in the sense of offspring and princes in the sense of angels), since angels, unlike demons and earthly creatures, do not reproduce their kind.

Sophar (fictional)—in Anatole France, *Revolt of the Angels*, a fallen angel who once kept the treasures in Heaven for the god Ialdabaoth. In his

earthly guise, Sophar is Max Everdingen, a banker.

Sopher, Sopheriel [Sofriel]

Sopheriel Yhwh Mehayye and Sopheriel Yhwh Memith [Sofriel]

Sophia [Pistis Sophia]

Sophiel—angel of the 4th pentacle of the moon. In Jewish cabala, Sophiel is the intelligence of Jupiter (the corresponding angel here being Zadykiel). [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 26.]

Soged Hozi (Shoqed Chozi, Skd Huzi, etc.)—an angel prince of the Merkabah, keeper of the divine balances, and one of the 4 angels appointed by God to the Sword. [Rf. *3 Enoch*; M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Sorath—an evil power, bearer of the mysterious number 666, which is also applied cabalistically to the Emperor Nero. [Rf. *Apocalypse of John*.] In talismanic magic, Sorath is the spirit of the sun. See *The Magus* II, 147.

Sorush—to the ancient Persians, Gabriel, "giver of souls." The Magi held that, on Judgment Day, 2 angels, Sorush and Mihr, will stand on the bridge called *al Sirat* (which is finer than a hair and sharper than the edge of a sword) and examine every person crossing. Mihr, representing divine mercy and holding a balance in his hand, will weigh the actions performed during the person's lifetime. If found worthy, the person will be permitted to pass on to Paradise. Otherwise he will be handed over to Sorush, representing divine justice, who will hurl him into Hell. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse," p. 64.]

Sosol—an angel invoked in ceremonial magic rites. He represents or governs the sign of Scorpio in the zodiac. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Sother or Sother As(h)iel—prosecuting angel prince, serving the throne of divine judgment; a great hierarch of the Merkabah. Sother is 7,000 parasangs tall. In the cabala he marries Sophia in a heavenly union. In gnostic lore he is another name for God. According to *3 Enoch*, "Every angel-

prince who goes out or enters before the Shekinah, does so only by Sother's permission." He has been equated with the luminary Armogen. The name has the meaning of "who stirs up the fire of God."

Sothis (Sotis)—angel of an hour. [Rf. H.D.'s poem "Sagesse"; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Sovereignty—one of the angelic orders, according to an interpretation of I Corinthians 15:24 where Paul speaks of Christ's doing away with "all sovereignty, authority and power" (in the Confraternity edition of The New Testament). The King James version gives "rule" in lieu of sovereignty.

Sparks—referring to sparks, Voltaire in "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils" says they are "an order of angels in Talmud and Targum." The sparks are sometimes included among the 9 (or 10 or 12) orders when equated with the tarshishim (i.e., "brilliant ones") or with the splendors (*q.v.*).

Spendarmoz [Ishpan Darmaz]

Sphener—in occultism, the name of a celestial power invoked to combat Mardero, a demon of disease. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 223.]

Spheres [Galgallim]

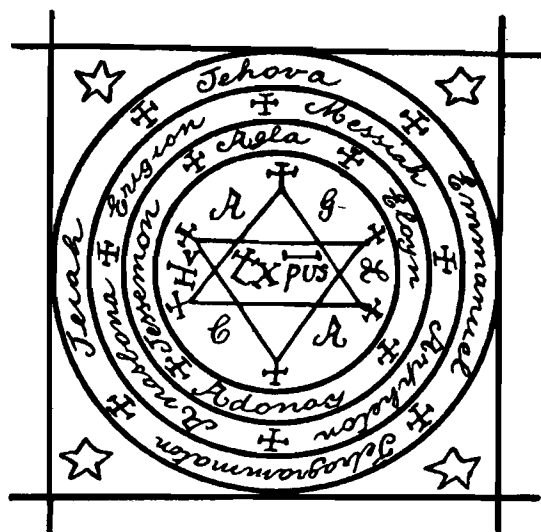
Sphinxes—in Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*, where the reference is to the *Apocalypse of John*, the sphinxes are mentioned as an alternate term for the kerubim of Ezekiel's vision (Ezekiel I, 10ff.).

Spirit—any angel or demon is a spirit, and a pure one. Man is an impure spirit. God is divine spirit. [See Introduction.]

Spirit of Discord—in Judges 9:23 we learn that "God sent a spirit of discord between Abimelech and the men of Schechem." Such a spirit (called "an evil spirit" in some versions of Judges 9) is evil only in the causative sense. Since he serves God, the spirit of discord is without taint.

Spirit of Fornication (Angel of Lust)—See Pharzuph.

Spirit of Ill-Will—an angel and envoy of God, as in I Kings 18:10–11, where it is reported that



The Grand Pentacle of Solomon used in evoking and dismissing spirits. From Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.

this spirit from God "came upon Saul and he prophesied in the midst of his house. And David played . . . as at other times. And Saul held a spear in his hand. And threw it, thinking to nail David to the wall."

Spirit of Jealousy—an angel and envoy of God, as in Numbers 5:14: "If the spirit of jealousy stir up the husband against his wife," etc.

Spirit of Knowledge—a term used in Mansoor, *The Thanksgiving Hymns*, to denote an angel, presumably of the order of cherubim.

Spirit of Lying—an angel and envoy of God, as in I Kings 22:22: "And I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets."

Spirit of Perversion [Angel of Darkness]

Spirit of Whoredom—mentioned in Hosea 4, 12. [See Angel of Lust.]

Spiritus Dei—"the breath of God," an expression used by Lactantius to denote an angel. [Rf. Schneweis, *Angels and Demons According to Lactantius*.]

Splenditenes—in Manicheanism, a "world-supporting angel." He supports the heavens on

his back. [See Omophorus.] Augustine mentions Splenditenes in his *Contra Faustum* XV, and describes him as bearing 6 faces and mouths "and glittering with light." Bar-Khonai in the *Book of Scholia* calls Splenditenes the "ornament of Splendor." He appears in Mithraic monuments and is believed to be the prototype of the Greek Atlas. [Rf. Manichean *Hymn of the Soul*.]

Splendors—another name for the tarshishim (q.v.). Equated with the virtues. Alfred de Vigny in his poem "Eloa" mentions splendors (along with ardors and guards) as an order in the celestial hierarchy.

Spugliguel—an angel who serves as the head of the sign of Spring. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Sraosha (Srosh, Sirush, Serosh, etc.)—a Persian angel who, it is claimed, set the world in motion. Sraosha is one of the amesha spentas (the 7th), otherwise one of the yazatas. In Zoroastrianism, he is the angel who bears the soul aloft on death. The red chrysanthemum is his emblem. [Rf. *Vendidad*, 18, in *The Sacred Books of the East*.] In Manichean lore, Sraosha is the "angel of obedience," the "fiend-smiter," who judges the dead. As Sirushi he is the angel of Paradise and "master of announcements." [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, p. 327.]

Sro—corresponding angel for Nemamah (q.v.).

Ssalmakiel—with another spirit called Archer, Ssalmakiel governs the sign of the Water Bearer (Aquarius) in the zodiac. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Ssnialiah—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, one of the 14 great conjuring angels.

Sstiel YHWH—one of the 8 great angel princes of the Merkabah. In 3 *Enoch*, Sstiel outranks in eminence the angel Metatron, who must dismount whenever he encounters Sstiel on the crystal highways. In Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, where a herald proclaims Metatron as chief of princes, the exception is made of "eight august and exalted princes that bear My [i.e., His] name." Sstiel is one of these 8. Others would

be Anafiel (Aufiel, Anpiel), N'Zuriel, Akatriel, Gallisur, the two Sofriels, and Radueriel.

Stalwarts—another term for one of the angelic orders. [Rf. *Book of Hymns* III, referred to by T. Gaster in *The Dead Sea Scriptures*, p. 341.]

Standards—a term for an angelic order employed by Milton in *Paradise Lost* V, 590, where the angel Raphael speaks of "Standards, and Gonfalons [that] . . . for distinction serve/Of Hierarchies, of Orders."

Stars—in Biblical lore, stars and planets were regarded as messengers, angels, in the service of God. [Rf. Judges 5:20; Job 38:7: "when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy."] Caird, *Principalities and Powers*, observes that the stars "were included in Yahweh's angelic retinue."

Stimulator—an angel invoked in the exorcism of Ink. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Strateia—an angelic host, as mentioned in

A **talisman** reputed to have the power of causing the stars to fall from heaven. From Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*.



Pesikta Rabbati. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology," p. 585.]

Strempsuchos [Astrompsuchos]

Striel—an angelic guard stationed in one of the 7 great heavenly halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Strong, The—an order of angels, "one of the 10 classes in Talmud and Targum," according to Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils."

Strophaeos—in the gnostic *Paraphrase of Shem*, a mysterious entity to whom the secrets of Creation were revealed.

Sturbiel—an angel of the 4th hour of the day, serving under Vachmiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 67.]

Sturi(el)—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Suceratos—an angel serving in the 4th Heaven; he rules on Lord's Day and is invoked from the west. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Shah, *Occultism*.]

Sui'el (Raashiel)—an angel with dominion over earthquakes. [Rf. Waite, *Book of Formation*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews I*.]

Sukalli (Sukallin)—angels in Sumerian-Babylonian theosophy. [Rf. *Catholic Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Sumiel—in Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii, and Devils," one of the leaders of the fallen angels. Voltaire quotes Enoch as his source, but no close equivalent for Sumiel can be found in the Enoch books, unless Voltaire had in mind Sammael or Simapesiel (*q.v.*). The name Sumiel is found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Summanus—one of the 9 Novensiles, the supreme divinities in Etruscan religion. [Rf. Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Sun—in the cabala, the sun is a "planet" and, also, an angel of light. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*.]

Suna—a cherub or seraph used in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Suphlatus—genius of dust. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Suria (Suryah, Suriya)—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, one of the throne angels or one of the angels of the presence. He is also warden of the 1st hall (palace) of the 1st Heaven. According to *The Zohar*, Suria is the "high angelic being who takes up all the holy words that are uttered at a table [at which, and when, words from the Torah are spoken] and sets the form of them before the Holy One; and all the words, and the table also, are crowned before the Holy King."

Suriel (Sariel, Sauriel, Suriyel, Surya—"God's command")—identified with Uriel, Metatron, Ariel, Saraqael, etc. Like Metatron, Suriel is a prince of the presence and like Raphael, an angel of healing. He is likewise the angel of death (one of a number), and as such Suriel was sent to Mt. Sinai or Mt. Nebo to fetch the soul of Moses. In *Enoch I* Suriel is one of the 4 great archangels. In the *Falasha Anthology* he is dubbed "Suriel the Trumpeter" and "Suriel, angel of Death." It is said that Moses received all his knowledge from Suriel (although Zagzagel is likewise credited with being the source of Moses' knowledge.) According to Talmud *Berachoth* 51a, it was Suriel who instructed Rabbi Ishmael ben Elisha in the laws of hygiene. On gnostic amulets, Suriel's name appears beside those of Raguel, Peniel, Uriel, and Raphael. Origen, *Contra Celsum* VI, 30, lists Suriel as one of the 7 angels in the Ophitic Hebdomad system of primordial powers. Here, when invoked, Suriel makes his appearance in the form of an ox. In the cabala he is one of the 7 angels that rule the earth. In King, *The Gnostics and Their Remains*, p. 88, Suriel, along with Eratoth and Thautabaoth, is called "a Jewish angel of Magian origin" and as one whose name is found among those of genii presiding over the fixed stars." [Rf. Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes I*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, pp. 203, 375.]

Suriya [Suria]

Suriyah (Suriel)—an angel who revealed to

Rabbi Ishmael [see Suriel] the secrets of chiromancy and physiognomy. [Rf. Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*.]

Suriyel (Suriel)—an angel who, with Salathiel, brought Adam and Eve from the top of the high mountain (where Satan had lured them) to the cave of treasures—a Garden of Eden incident touched on in *The Book of Adam and Eve* (q.v.).

Suroth—in Paracelsus' doctrine of Talismans, Suroth is a planetary genius of Egypt, replaced by the angel Anael. In Waite, "The Occult Sciences" (in his *The Secret Doctrine in Israel*), Suroth is the planetary genius of Venus. In hermetics he is head of the order of principalities. "He presides over the harmonies of vegetable nature." [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 68.]

Surtaq—in hechaloth lore, an angel who assists Metatron (q.v.) in reciting the *Shema*. [Rf. introd. *3 Enoch*.]

Suruph ("strength of God")—an angel cited in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*.

Surush Ashu [Sirushi]

Surya (pl. suryas)—one of the 7 (or 12) shining gods of Vedic religion. [See Adityas.] In *3 Enoch* Surya is one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Suryan—a "corruption" of Raphael, according to Barton, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, vol. 31.

Suryas (sing. surya)—in Vedic lore, the suryas (later the asuryas) are deities analogous to the Judaeo-Christian angels. The asuryas (q.v.) are the fallen ones, i.e., the demons or devils.

Susabo—genius of voyages and one of the genii of the 6th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Susniel—an angel invoked in Syriac invocation charms. As a "spellbinding power," Susniel is grouped with Michael, Azriel, Shamshiel, and other angels. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*.]

Sut—one of the 5 sons of the Moslem fallen archangel Iblis. Sut is the demon of lies. The other 4 sons are: Awar, demon of lubricity; Dasim, demon of discord; Tir, demon of fatal accidents; Zalambur, demon of mercantile dishonesty.

Sutuel (Suryal)—in Falasha lore, the angel who conveyed Baruch to the holy Jerusalem. [Rf. Charles, *Apocalypse of Baruch* VI, 3, where, however, Sutuel is not specifically named.]

Symnay—an angel of the order of powers used for conjuring in cabalistic rites. From the extant records, it is not clear whether Symnay joined Satan in the revolt or remained loyal. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Synesis ("understanding")—in gnosticism, one of the 4 great luminaries emanated from the Divine Will. [Rf. Mead, *Fragments of a Faith Forgotten*.]

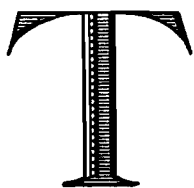
Synoches—in Chaldean cosmology, one of the 3 intelligences of the Empyrean. [Rf. *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Syth—angel of an hour, whose corresponding angel is Teiaiel. [Rf. H.D. (Hilda Doolittle), "Sagesse"; Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Sywaro—a ministering archangel conjured up by cabalists in magical rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]



The Abraham-and-Isaac sacrifice episode with the angel (identified as Tadhriel) holding back the knife. From Strachan, *Pictures from a Mediaeval Bible*.



Ta'aniel—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, an angel summoned up in magical rites.

Tabkiel—one of the more than 100 names of the angel Metatron, as enumerated in *3 Enoch*, chap. 48.

Tablibik—a spirit of fascination and one of the genii of the 5th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Tabris—in occult lore, the angel or genius of free will, and one of the genii of the 6th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

T'achnu—an angel whose name is found in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, where T'achnu is believed to be a name “concocted” through manipulation of the letters of the Hebrew alphabet.]

Tacouin—in Islamic lore, a species of fay; “beautiful, winged, minor angels who secure man against the wiles of demons, and reveal the future.” [Rf. De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* IV, 464.]

Tadhriel (“righteousness of God”)—an angel

credited with preventing the sacrifice of Isaac, according to Follansbee, *Heavenly History*. Other sources credit Metatron, Zadkiel, and the angel of the Lord (the last, in Genesis).

Tafel X—an angel invoked in magical rites. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Tafsarim—a class of Merkabah angels grouped with the elim and erelim (*q.v.*). In *3 Enoch*, the tafsarim are ranked “greater than all the ministering angels who minister before the throne of glory.”

Taftefiah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Taftian (Taphi)—in the cabala, a wonder-working angel, servant of Alimon (*q.v.*). He was invoked by the renowned Raf Anram. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Tagas—a great angelic prince, conductor of the Song-Uttering Choirs (*q.v.*). [Rf. *3 Enoch*.]

Tagriel (Tagried, Thigra)—chief of the angelic guards of the 2nd or 7th Heaven, and one of the

28 angels ruling the 28 mansions of the moon. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*; *Ozar Midrashim* I, 111.]

Tahariel—angel of purity and one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Tahsasiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Takifiel—an angel invoked in Syrian magical rites; grouped with Michael, Gabriel, Sahariel, and other “spellbinding angels” in *The Book of Protection*.

Talia—in Mandaeen lore, one of the 10 *uthri* (angels) that accompany the sun on its daily course.

Taliahad (Talliud)—angel of water. The name Taliahad is found inscribed on the 7th pentacle of the sun. [Rf. Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*, p. 222; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 72.]

Tall Angel, The—in the 3rd Heaven, Moses, with Metatron acting as his guide, encounters a “tall angel” with 70,000 heads, assumed to be Sandalphon (although Sandalphon is said to reside in the 6th or 7th Heaven). In Wertheimer, *Bate Midrashot* IV, the angel is declared to have been Nuriel; but this identification, says Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 416, is due to a scribal error—a reasonable deduction, since Nuriel is a resident of the 2nd Heaven, where Moses encounters him, and, as far as we know, has only one head. The tallest angel of all is either Metatron or Hadraniel, or Anafiel.

Talmi—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed, according to Mathers. In *The Zohar* (Numbers 159a) Talmi is an evil spirit, “a descendant of the giants whom God cast down to earth and who coupled with the daughters of men.”

Tamael—in occult lore, a Friday angel of the 3rd Heaven. He is invoked from the east.

Tamaii—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Tamarid—a chief officer angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under the rule of Farris. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 69.]

Tamiel (Tamel, Temel, Tamuel—“perfection of God”)—angel of the deep. In *Enoch I*, Tamiel is listed among the fallen angels. [Rf. *The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia*, “Angels.”]

Tamtemiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Tandal—one of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tandariel—an angel mentioned in Hyde, *Historia Religionis Veterum Persarum*; mentioned also by Voltaire in “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils.”

Taninivver—one of the 7 surviving evil emanations of God. The future extermination of this being is predicted in Isaiah 27:1, says Bamberger in *Fallen Angels*, p. 175. [Rf. Isaac B'ne Rabbi Jacob ha-Cohen in *Mada'e ha-Yahadut* II.]

Tankf'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, “Angels.”]

Tap [Gaap]

Tapharthareth [Tophtharthareth]

Tar—in Mandaeen lore, one of the 10 *uthri* (angels) that accompany the sun on its daily course.

Tara—an angel with the attribute “Dieu, fontaine de Sagesse” mentioned in H.D.'s (Hilda Doolittle's) poem “Sagesse” and listed among the angels in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

Taranava—in *The Almadel of Solomon* (comprised in *The Lemegeton*), Taranava is one of the chief angelic powers of the 3rd altitude.

Tarfaniel—one of the many angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Tarfiel (“God nourishes”)—in the cabala, an angel invoked to cure stupidity. [Rf. Botarel, *Mayan Hahochmah*, and other works on the efficacy of amulets; as in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de*

l'Angélologie.] In *Ozar Midrashim* (II, 316), Tarfiel is one of the guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Tariel—one of the 3 angels of summer. Tariel figures in Syriac incantation charms. He is invoked, along with other spellbinding angels, in the "Binding [of] the Tongue of the Ruler." [Rf. *The Book of Protection.*]

Tarniel—a Wednesday angel resident in the 3rd Heaven and invoked from the east. Tarniel is one of the spirits of the planet Mercury. In *Ozar Midrashim* (II, 316), he is one of the guards of the gates of the East Wind.

Tarpiel [Tarfiel]

Tarquam—in occult lore, one of 2 angels governing autumn, the other angel being Guabarel, according to de Abano, *The Heptameron*. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*, pp. 43-44.]

Tarshish (Hebrew, "pearl")—in *The Zohar*, the eponymous chief of the order of tarshishim (i.e., virtues). Other chiefs of the order include Haniel and Sabriel. [See *Tarshishim*.]

Tarshishim ("brilliant ones")—an angelic order in Jewish lore, the term said to derive from Daniel 16:6 and, in the cabala, answering to the 7th sefira (firmness). In de Vigny's poem "Eloa," the order is called splendors.

Tarsisim [Tarshishim]

Tartaruch—in the *Vision of Paul*, 16, "the angel Tartaruch is set over punishments."

Tartaruchi—angels set over the torments of Hell.

Tartaruchian Angels—"observed by the fiery river, the tartaruchian angels have in their hands iron rods with 3 hooks with which they pierce the bowels of sinners"—*Vision of Paul*, 34.

Tartaruchus ("keeper of Hell") [see Temeluch]—chief of the angels set over the torments of Hell. Tartaruchus alternates with Uriel at this office. Uriel being "chief of the spirits who preside over Tartarus." [Rf. *Apocalypse of Paul*; James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*.]

Tartarus—the angel who presides over Hell (or a term for Hell itself). The angel, usually Uriel or Tartaruchus, is in charge of the torments of the nether regions, as already noted. For the names of other angels of these regions, see *Angels of Hell*. See particularly entry of Duma(h), who is "prince of Hell" and "angel of the stillness of death."

Tarwan—in Mandaean lore, one of the 10 *uthri* (angels) that accompany the sun on its daily course.

Tashriel—an angelic guard of one of the halls in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tata'il—in Arabic lore, a guardian angel invoked in rites of exorcism. [Rf. Hughes, *A Dictionary of Islam*, "Angels."]

Tatirokos [Tartaruchus]

Tatonon—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Tatriel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Tatrusia—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. For a list of all 70, see Appendix.

Tau—a luminary, by the pronouncing of whose name "God brought on the Deluge," according to Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Tauriel—in Mandaean prayer books, a spirit (*uthra*) invoked through the fingering of phylacteries. He is known as a "call-spirit." Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III, lists Tauriel as a governing angel of the zodiac.

Taurine Angel—in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 39, there is mention of the "roaring of the taurine angel," which is said to be a recast of the Babylonian belief about the god Ea. The full name of the angel is "the taurine angel of the abyss" and his roar is heard when he "causes the water from the lower abyss to be poured into the upper abyss." [Rf. Talmud *Ta'anit* 25b; also *Bereshith Rabba* 10.] It will be recalled that Rahab, angel of the deep, was destroyed by God when he refused to separate the upper from the lower waters at Creation.

Tausa (see Taus-Melek)—according to Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*, Tausa is the name given to a *malka* (angel) who bewails having sinned against the Great Life by allowing his pride to have led him into rebellion.

Taus-Melek (Malek Tawûs, Melek-I-Taus)—the peacock angel worshipped by the Yezidis as the devil-god and benefactor of mankind. Taus-Melek is a Buddhist paraphrase for the devil (Satan). To the Yezidis, a Kurdish Moslem sect inhabiting the mountains of Upper Mesopotamia (Iraq), Taus-Melek "is a fallen archangel, now pardoned, to whom God has committed the government of the world and the management of the transmigration of souls." [Rf. Louis Massignon, "The Yezidis of Mount Sindjar" in the symposium, *Satan*.] See also Wall, *Devils*.

Tavtavel—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Tazbun—in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, an angel who exercises dominion over one of the months of the year.

Teba'at—one of the 7 leaders of the apostate angels. [Rf. Schmidt, *The Apocalypse of Noah and the Parables of Enoch*.]

Tebliel—one of the 7 angels with dominion over the earth. [See *Angels of the Earth*.]

Techial—chief of the angelic guards of the 5th Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tehom—a throne angel, or an administering angel, invoked in ritual magic rites. He is one of 15 listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Tehoriel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Teiaiel (Isiaiel)—in the cabala, an angel that can foretell the future. He is a throne angel and controls maritime expeditions and commercial ventures. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 267. His corresponding angel is Syth.

Teiazal (Ieiazal)—an angel of the order of

powers. Teiazal influences men of letters, artists, and librarians. His corresponding angel is Aterchimis. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 281.

Telantes—an angel invoked in Solomonic Wax magical operations. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 117.]

Teletarchae—in the Chaldean cosmological scheme, the teletarchae are celestial intelligences or luminaries. [Rf. *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Teletiel—a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Temel [Tamiel]

Temeluch (Temeluchus, Abtelmoluchos, Tartaruchus, Temleyakos)—a caretaking angel, protector of children at birth and in infancy; also an angel of Gehenna (Hell) and the "merciless angel, all fire" in charge of torments, to whom souls are delivered at the death of the body. [Rf. *Revelation of Paul*; *Apocalypse of Peter*; James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*.]

Temlakos [Temeluch]

Temleyakos [Temeluch]

Tempast—an angel of the 1st hour of the night, serving under Gamiel.

Temperance—in cabalistic lore, "an angel with the sign of the sun on his forehead, on his breast the square and triangle of the septenary, pouring from one chalice into another the two essences which compose the elixir of life." [Rf. *The Divine Pyramander*.]

Tempha—a planetary genius of Saturn invoked in talismanic magic. [Rf. Waite, "The Occult Sciences" in *The Secret Doctrine in Israel*.]

Tenaciel—a Friday angel of the 3rd hour invoked from the east. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Tendac—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Tephros (Tephros)—as revealed in *The Testament of Solomon*, an evil spirit who brings on darkness and sets fires to fields; he is also a demon of ashes conjured up by Beelzeboul (Beelzebub) at the behest of Solomon. But Tephros is not wholly evil, since he cures fever through the power or aid of Azazel. He can be invoked in the names of Bultala, Thallel, and Melchal. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, 151.]

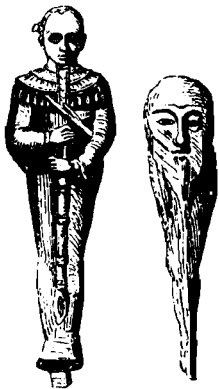
Tepiseuth—angel of part of an hour, as in H.D.'s (Hilda Doolittle's) poem "Sagesse." [Rf. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.]

Terafnel—an angel of prey, mentioned in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.

Teraphim ("obscurity")—according to Jewish cabalists of the Middle Ages, the teraphim were male and female idols, their power deriving from wizardry; they correspond to the serpent imagery, the seraphim, which, in turn, are said to derive from the Kabeiri, Assyrian divinities. [Rf. Judges 17-18; Ezekiel 21, 21; II Kings; *The Zohar*.]

Terathel (Ierathel)—an angel of the order of dominations (dominions). He "propagates light, civilization, and liberty." Terathel's corresponding angel is Hepe, according to Ambelain, *La Kabbale*

Teraphim. Small idols or superstitious figures used as talismans and sometimes worshipped. From *A Dictionary of the Holy Bible*, 1859.



Pratique, where Terathel's sigil is reproduced on p. 273.

Teriapel—one of the intelligences of the planet Venus. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Terly (Erly, Irix)—in the *Grimorium Verum*, a congenial and obliging spirit who, in Solomonian conjurations, will procure for the invocant (when the conditions are right) the garter of a loved one. [Rf. Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.]

Tessub [Rimmon]

Tetra—an angel invoked in ritual magic prayer for the fulfilment of an invocant's desires. Tetra is cited, along with other "great and glorious spirits," in *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.

Tetrasiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Teumiel—the 7th sefira of the 10 unholy sefiroth (q.v.).

Tezalel (Icabel)—an angel who regulates marital fidelity. His corresponding angel is Theosolk. Tezalel's sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 267.

Thagrinus—one of the genii of confusion; also one of the genii of the 4th hour in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.

Thammuz—a fallen angel in Milton's *Paradise Lost* I, 446. "Whose annual wound in Lebanon allur'd/The Syrian Damsels to lament his fate/In amorous ditties." The reference is to Ezekiel 8:14. Thammuz is the Phoenician equivalent of the Greek Adonis.

Thamy—an angel of the order of powers, summoned in cabalistic conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Thaphabaoth (Thartharoth, Thautabaoth, Onoel)—drawing on Ophitic sources, Origen, in his *Contra Celsum*, lists Thaphabaoth, along with Michael and Gabriel, as an angel (or demon) hostile to man. In gnostic lore, Thaphabaoth is an archontic demon, one of 7 rulers of the lower realms. When invoked, he manifests in the form of a bear. Thaphabaoth is the Hebraized form of

the Greek Tartarus. [Rf. Thorndike, *The History of Magic and Experimental Sciences*; Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*; Mead, *Thrice-Greatest Hermes* I, 294.]

Thaq—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Tharshishim [Tarshishim]

Tharsis (Tharsus)—in rabbinical literature, an angel governing the element of water. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.]

Thaumiel—an “averse” (i.e., unholy) sefirah, corresponding to, or opposite to, Kether (“crown”). Thaumiel’s cortex is Cathariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*.]

Thaur—an angel summoned in Arabic incantation rites. [Rf. Shah, *Occultism*.]

Thausael—one of the leaders of the fallen angels mentioned in the Enoch books. See also Voltaire, “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils.”

Thauthabaoth [Thaphabaoth]

Thegri (Thuriel, “bull-god”)—the angel who has dominion over beasts. [Rf. the *Hermas Visions*.]

Thelesis (Aisthesis, “free will”)—in gnostic lore, one of the 4 great luminaries or aeons emanated from the Divine Will. Raguel is sometimes identified with Thelesis. [Rf. Mead, *Fragments of a Faith Forgotten*.]

Theliel—in occultism, the angelic prince of love, invoked in ceremonial magic to procure the woman desired by the invocant. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Theodonias (Theodomai)—a holy name (of God or of an angel) called on in prayer at vesting ceremonies and in Solomonian conjuring rites. [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

Theodoniël—probably the same as Theodonias.

Theophile (fictional)—in Anatole France, *The Revolt of the Angels*, Theophile is one of the heavenly apostates.

Theoska—a ministering archangel invoked in ritual magic. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Thief of Paradise—Satan is so called by Milton in *Paradise Regained* IV, 604.

Thiel—an angel serving in the 2nd Heaven, but said also to serve in the 3rd Heaven. Thiel is a ruling prince of Wednesday, invoked from the north. He is ranked as one of the intelligences of the planet Venus. [Rf. de Abano, *Heptameron*; Malchus, *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Thigra [Tagriel]

Third Angel, The—mentioned in Revelation 8 as one of 7 angels that sound trumpets. When the 3rd angel sounds his, a great star Wormwood (regarded also as an angel) falls from Heaven. See Wormwood.

Third Heaven, The (Angels of the 3rd Heaven)—seat of the upper Paradise where manna is stored or produced by angels “according to a widespread view” (*The Legends of the Jews* V, 374). The honey (manna) in the Asenath-Joseph 2nd-century romance was supposedly brought from this 3rd Heaven by “divine bees” at the behest of Michael, who figures in the tale. The 3rd Heaven is the dwelling place of John the Baptist, as cited in the apocryphal *Apocalypse* attributed to James (Jesus’ brother); however, in Islamic lore, the dwelling place of John the Baptist is the 2nd Heaven. The Mohammedans also place Azrael, angel of death, in the 3rd Heaven. It is in this Heaven, it will be recalled, that Paul was caught up and “heard unspeakable words which it is not lawful for a man to utter” (II Corinthians 12:2-4). [Rf. James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 37.] To the author of *Enoch II*, the 3rd Heaven accommodates both Paradise and Hell, with Hell located simply “on the northern side.”

Thirteen Angels, The—in his apocalyptic poem “America,” plate 12, Blake visions, in addition to the “Angels of Albion” and “Boston’s Angels,” 13 other angels who, Blake says, “Rent off their robes to the hungry wind, and threw their golden scepters/Down on the land of

America; indignant they descended/Headlong from out their heav'nly heights, descending swift as fires/Over the land."

Thomax—an angel of the 8th hour of the night, serving under Narcoriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Thopitus—in the cabala, an angel invoked in ritual incantation rites. His corresponding angel is Leahiah. Thopitus figures in H.D.'s (Hilda Doolittle's) poem "Sagesse" and in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

Thoth—in hermetics, the head of the order of archangels. Thoth (or Pi-Hermes) is characterized as the "aeon of the aeons" and identified as the Good Daimon.

Three Angels of Abraham—the 3 "men" whom Abraham "entertained unawares" at Mamre (Genesis 18) have been identified variously as God, Michael, and Gabriel; as the Logos, Michael, and Raphael; and as the Holy Ghost, God, and Jesus. [See Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled* and Conybeare, *Origins of Christianity*, p. 226.] The promise of one of the 3 angels to the 90-year-old Sarah of a son was fulfilled in the birth of Isaac. It might not be out of place to recall here a Greek parallel preserved by Ovid: 3 of the chief Olympians (Zeux, Poseidon, Hermes) were guests of Hyrieus, an old man of Tanagra; bidden by the gods to express a wish, the old man, being childless, asked for a son. The wish was granted; the son was Orion.

Thrgar—an angel of the month, cited in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. Thrgar is also mentioned in Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.

Throne Bearers—a class of angels in Islamic lore. It is said that there are now only 4 angels in this class, but that the number will be increased to 8 on the day of resurrection. [Rf. The Koran, *suras* 40 and 69; Thompson, *Semitic Magic*.]

Thrones—in the pseudo-Dionysian scheme, the thrones rank 3rd in the 1st triad of the celestial hierarchy. They reside in the 4th Heaven. The ruling prince of this angelic order is variously given as Oraphiel, Zabkiel, Zaphkiel (*see* Angels

of the Thrones; Many-Eyed Ones). In *Paradise Lost* VI, 199, Milton speaks of "the Rebel Thrones." It is through the thrones, says Dionysius, that "God brings his justice to bear upon us." The *Testament of Levi* (in *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*) mentions thrones as an order in the celestial hierarchy.

Thronus—one of the 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Thummim [Urim]

Tiel—one of the angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind.

Tifereth [Tiphereth]

Tif(th)eriel (Tiphtheriel)—a sefira of Tiphereth (Beauty) in the Briatic world of the cabala. [Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*.]

Tijmneik—an angel of the Seal (one of the *nomina barbara*) listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Tikarathin (Thikarathin, Thikarthin)—lord of hosts, invoked in ritual magic rites; also a secret name of God. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*, p. 53.]

Tilath (Silat)—a spirit invoked in prayer by the Master of the Art in Solomonian conjuration rites. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Tileion—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt.

Tilli—in occultism, a seraph or cherub addressed in conjurations.

Tilonas—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Time—an angel, so named, in the Tarot card No. 14. He is winged, the sign of the sun on his forehead, the square and triangle of the septenary on his breast. He pours the essence of life from one chalice to another. He is also called Temperance (*q.v.*). According to *The Zohar* (Miqez 195b), the 'eth in Ecclesiastes 9, 12, which is a term for time, "refers to the ministering angel who presides over



Angel holding a star. A woodcut done in Nuremberg, 1505. From the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

each act a man performs.” Angoff’s story “God Repents” (*Adventures in Heaven*) relates that once, when the Creator contemplated destroying the world, He called in His angels for consultation, and that among the angels were 3 named Time, Minutes, and Seconds.

Time Spirit, The—a designation above the rank of archangel for Michael, as in Steiner, *The Mission of the Archangel Michael*. In this book the Swiss occultist contends that Michael is now on earth helping human souls “fight counterstriving spirits” here, so as to “enable us to acquire spiritualized concepts.” The descent of Michael to earth is said to have occurred in the middle of the 19th century.

Tiphereth—the 6th sefira.

Tiphtheriel [Tifftheriel]

Tipperah (Zipporah)—the wife of the lawgiver Moses; she is now a virtue in the woman’s division of Paradise.

Tir—the angel of June in ancient Persian lore; also the angel governing the 13th day of the month. Tir was regent of the planet Mercury and has been represented as having the body of a fish, with a boar’s face. His one arm is black, the other

white; on his head rests a crown. In Muslim lore, Tir is the demon of fatal accidents and one of the 5 sons of the fallen archangel Iblis.

Tiriel—an archangel, the intelligence of the planet Mercury, with the cabalistic number 260. Tiriel’s name (joined with those of Raphael and Sadayel) was discovered on a ring amulet. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Tiril—in his “Of Angels, Genii, and Devils,” Voltaire calls Tiril one of the leaders of the fallen angels.

Tirtael—a guard, one of many, of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Tishbash—one of the many names of Metatron.

Tishgash—one of the many names of Metatron.

Titmon—one of the more than 100 names of the angel Metatron as enumerated in *3 Enoch*.

Tixmion—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt.

Tmsmael—an evil angel used in conjuring rites for separating a husband from his wife. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Tobiel—a variant for Tubuel in Hugo, *The Toilers of the Sea*.

Todatamael—one of the angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Tomimiel—a governing angel of the zodiac. [Rf. Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.]

Tophiel—as noted in *Hechaloth Rabbati*, one of 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven.

Tophnar (Tophrag)—like Tophiel, one of the 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven. He serves, or is identified with, Zevudiel and Kashriel.

Tophrag [Tophnar]

Tophtharthareth (Taptharthareth)—according to Paracelsus in his doctrine of Talismans, a spirit

of the planet Mercury of which the presiding intelligence is Tiriël. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I.]

Torquaret—an angel who heads the sign of autumn. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Totraviel—in *Hechaloth Rabbati*, a seal holder and angelic guard of the 5th Heaven. He serves with Zahaftirîi (q.v.).

Totrisi—one of the 4 angels appointed by God to the Sword. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Touriel [Turel]

Tractatu—an angel who had a book named after him, according to Cornelius Agrippa. [Cf. Raziël.]

Transin—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, a name written in Heaven in the character (i.e., tongue) of angels and invoked to command demons.

Trgiaob—one of the *nomina barbara*. Trgiaob is an angel who exercises dominion over wild fowl and creeping things. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Trotrosi X (Totrisi)—an invocation spirit who communicated to Moses the divine name.

Trsiel—in Merkabah mysticism, an angel who exercises dominion over rivers.

Tsadi'ael—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Tsadkiel (Tzadkiel, Azza)—angel of justice, as is Azza (q.v.). In *The Zohar*, Tsadkiel is 4th of the 10 archangels of the Briatic world. In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, he is called Tzadkiel, or Kaddisha "the holy one," and is listed among the angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [See Zadkiel.] In the cabala, Tsadkiel is the intelligence or angel of the planet Jupiter; also the protecting angel of Abraham. In an early version of *The Golden Legend*, Longfellow cited Tsadkiel as the governor of Jupiter, but later substituted Zobiachel.

Tsaftsefiyah, Tsaftsefiel, Tsahtsehiyah, Tsalt-selim, Tsaltseliyah—variant names of Metatron.

Tsaphiel—in occult science, an angel of the moon. [Rf. Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*.] Angels governing the moon include Yahriel, Yachadiel, Zachariel, Gabriel.

Tsaphkiel [Tzaphquiel]

Tsavniyah, Tsavtsiyah—variant names of the angel Metatron.

Tse'an—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 6th heavenly hall.

Tsedeck—the Hebrew for Jupiter and root-source for the angel Tsadkiel or Zadkiel (q.v.).

Tshndrnis—as recorded in *The Book of the Angel Raziël*, Tshndrnis (one of the *nomina barbara*) is an angel ruling over one of the months of the year.

Tsirya—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Tsuria—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Tsuriel—a variant of Zuriel (q.v.) as the zodiacal angel governing Libra. [Rf. Jobes, *Dictionary of Mythology, Folklore and Symbols*.]

Tual—in ceremonial magic, one of the angels of the 12 signs of the zodiac, representing Taurus (the Bull). In mystic lore, another angel representing this sign is Asmodel.

Tubatlu—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, one of the 8 angels of omnipotence. [See Tulatu.]

Tubiel—an angel invoked for the return of small birds to their owners. Tubiel is head of the sign of summer. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*; Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*.]

Tubuas—one of the 6 or 7 angels reprobated at a Church Council in Rome, 745 C.E., the other reprobated angels including Uriel, Raguel, Tubuel, Inias, Sabaoc, Simiel. They were invoked by the bishops Adelbert and Clement. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, p. 261.]



Tobi (from *The Book of Tobit*) and three archangels—presumably Raphael (center), Michael, and Gabriel. The painter, Giovanni Botticini (1446–1497), was evidently unfamiliar with the details of the apocryphal tale, for nowhere in it is there mention of any angel other than Raphael. Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.

Tubuel [Tubuas]

Tufiel—an angelic guard of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tufriel—an angelic guard of the 6th Heaven.

Tuiel—an angel mentioned in *The Book of the Angel Raziel* and incorrectly equated with Milton's Ithuriel. [Rf. West, "The Names of Milton's Angels."]

Tulatu—in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, one of the 8 angels of omnipotence. May be a different form for Tublatu.

Tumael (Tumiel, Tuniel, Tamiel)—one of the fallen angels in the Enoch listings.

Tummim [Urim]

Tumoriel—an angel of the 11th hour of the night, serving under Dardariel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Turel ("rock of God"—Turiel, Turael)—one of 200 angels listed in *The Book of Enoch* who followed Semyaza in the descent from Heaven to cohabit with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6. The sigil of the fallen Turel is pictured in *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, p. 39. As Turiel, Turel is a messenger of the spirits of the planet Jupiter; also, a messenger for the angel Sachiel or Setchiel (q.q.v.).

Turlos—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Turmiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Tusmas—an angel of the 7th hour of the day, serving under Barginiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*, p. 67.]

Tutelary Angels [Guardian Angels]

Tutiell—a "mysterious" spirit invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*.]

Tutrbebial—the last of the 64 angel wardens of the 7 celestial halls. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tutresiel (Stutrayah—"piercing God")—a great angel prince in *3 Enoch*. Here it is related of the angel Hamon that when he sees Tutresiel, he removes the crown of glory from his head and falls on his face—in obeisance. In turn, Tutresiel does the same when he sees Atrugiel, and Atrugiel does the same when he sees Na'aririell. The baffling thing is that all these names of angels are actually variant names of Metatron!

Tutrusa'i (Tutrachiel, Tuphgar, Tzurtag, etc.)—an angelic guard of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Tuwahel—a ministering angel invoked in ritual magic. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Twelve Spirits of the Zodiacal Cycle—as given by Eliphas Levi, the list consists of Sarahiel for Aries; Saraiel for Gemini; Seratiel for Leo; Chadakiel for Libra; Araziel for Taurus; Phakiel for Cancer; Schaltiel for Virgo; Sartzeil for Scorpio; Saritiel for Sagittarius; Semaquiel for Capricorn; Tzakmaquiel for Aquarius; Vocatiel for Pisces. The list given by Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels* (p. 67), differs considerably from that supplied by Levi, and runs as follows: Malchedael for Aries; Ambriel for Gemini; Verchiel for Leo; Zuriel for Libra; Asmodel for Taurus; Muriel for Cancer; Hamaliel for Virgo; Barchiel for Scorpio; Adnachiell for Sagittarius; Haniel for Capricorn; Gambiel for Aquarius; Barchiel for Pisces.

Twenty-Four Elders [Elders]

Tychagara—one of the 7 exalted throne angels "which execute the commands of potentates," the other 6 angels including Ophaniel and Barael. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III.] It should be pointed out that, in the usual schematic arrangement of the hierarchic orders, the thrones are of the 1st triad while the potentates (powers) are of the 2nd triad, so that commands ought properly to emanate from the thrones to the potentates, not the other way around.

Typhon—the Hebrew Sephon, meaning

“dark” or “northern”; in Aramaic he is Tuphon, identified by the Greeks with Set, god of darkness. In Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*, Typhon of classic mythology is identified with the cabalistic angel Sammael (q.v.).

Tzadiqel—the archangel who rules the planet Jupiter on Thursday. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Table of Planetary Hours.]

Tzadkiel [Tsadkiel]

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Tzakmaqiel (Ssakmakiel)—a spirit governing Aquarius. [Rf. *Prince of Darkness*, p. 178.]

Tzaphniel—when an invocant wishes to procure a magic carpet, it is Tzaphniel, “holy minister of God,” who must be appealed to—as recommended in works like Barrett, *The Magus*; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Tzaphq(u)iel (Tzaphkiel, “contemplation of God”)—in *The Zohar*, Tzaphqiel is 3rd of the 10 holy sefiras, or 3rd of the 10 archangels. [Rf.

Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*.] In the tables provided in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Tzaphqiel rules the planet Saturn on Saturday.

Tzarmiel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Tzartak (Tzortaq)—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 225.] As Tzortaq, in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, he is one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind.

Tzedeqiah—an angel’s name inscribed in Hebrew characters on the 1st pentacle of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

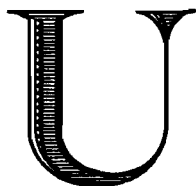
Tzephon [Zephon]

Tzortaq [Tzartak]

Tzurel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]



Uriel, "gliding through the Ev'n/On a Sun beam," illustrating *Paradise Lost* IV. From Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.



Ubaviel—an angel with dominion over the zodiacal sign of Capricorn. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Ublisi—in occult lore, one of 8 angels of omnipotence invoked in magical conjuring rites.

Ucimiel [Ucirmiel]

Ucirmiel (Ucirnuel)—a Wednesday angel residing in the 2nd or 3rd Heaven. When invoking Ucirmiel, the invocant must look north. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Udrgazyia—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Udriel—a childbed amulet angel, found in the same sources as for Udrgazyia.

Ugiel—2nd of the 10 unholy sefiroth in Moses of Burgos' listing.

Uini—a ministering angel invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Umabel—in the cabala, Umabel is said to have dominion over physics and astronomy. He is also one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.] Umabel's corresponding angel is Ptiau. His sigil is figured in *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 294.

Umabel—one of the archangels. Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, does not say what the mission of this archangel is. Umabel is listed as one of 9 of the order in a chart facing p. 88 of the Ambelain book.

Umeroz—angel of the 2nd hour of the night, serving under Farris. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Umiel—an angel invoked in Syriac spellbinding charms. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*.]

Umikol—in Jewish mysticism, one of the angels of the Seal.

Unael—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.] The name Unael (Unhael) is found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Ur (Hebrew, Aur, meaning "fire" or "light")—in Mandaean lore, the king of the nether world. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Urakabarameel—a run-together of Arakib and Ramiel. Urakabarameel was one of the leaders of the fallen angels (see *Enoch I*). He is mentioned in Thomas Moore's book-length poem *The Loves of the Angels*.

Urriel—chief of the angelic order of malachim or malakim (q.v.) [Rf. *Berith Menucha*.]

Urian (Uryan)—a form of Uriel, as in *Enoch I*, 9:1. In low German folklore, Sir Urian is a sobriquet for Satan.

Uriel ("fire of God")—one of the leading angels in noncanonical lore, and ranked variously as a seraph, cherub, regent of the sun, flame of God, angel of the presence, presider over Tartarus (Hades), archangel of salvation (as in II Esdras), etc. In the latter work he acts as heavenly interpreter of Ezra's visions. In *Enoch I*, he is the angel who "watches over thunder and terror." In *The Book of Adam and Eve* he presides over repentance. Uriel "is supposed to be," says Abbot Anscar Vonier in *The Teaching of the Catholic Church*, "the spirit who stood at the gate of the lost Eden with the fiery sword." *The Book of Adam and Eve* designates him as this spirit, i.e., one of the "cherubims" of Genesis 3. He is invoked in some of the ancient litanies. He has been identified as one of the angels who helped bury Adam and Abel in Paradise (Hastings, *Dictionary of the Bible*); as the dark angel who wrestled with Jacob at Peniel; as the destroyer of the hosts of Sennacherib (II Kings 19:35; II Maccabees 15:22); as the messenger sent by God to Noah to warn him of the impending deluge (*Enoch I*, 10:1-3), all of which feats or missions have been credited to other angels, as elsewhere noted. In the view of Louis Ginzberg, the "prince of lights" in *The Manual of Discipline* refers to Uriel. In addition, Uriel is said to have disclosed the mysteries of the heavenly arcana to Ezra; interpreted prophecies, and led Abraham out of Ur. In later Judaism, says R. H. Charles (*The Book of Enoch*), "we find Uriel instead of

Phanuel" as one of the 4 angels of the presence. Uriel is also the angel of the month of September and may be invoked ritually by those born in that month. *The Magus* claims that alchemy "which is of divine origin" was brought down to earth by Uriel, and that it was Uriel who gave the cabala to man, although this "key to the mystical interpretation of Scripture" is also said to have been the gift of Metatron. Milton describes Uriel as "Regent of the Sun" and the "sharpest sighted spirit of all in Heaven" (*Paradise Lost* III). Dryden, *The State of Innocence*, pictures Uriel as descending from heaven in a chariot drawn by white horses. Despite his eminence, Uriel was reprobated at a Church Council in Rome, 745 C.E. Now, however, he is Saint Uriel, and his symbol is an open hand holding a flame. Burne-Jones' painting of Uriel is reproduced as a frontispiece in Duff, *First and Second Books of Esdras*. The name Uriel derives, it is claimed, from Uriah the prophet. In apocryphal and occult works Uriel has been equated or identified with Nuriel, Uryan, Jeremiel, Vretil, Suriel, Puruel, Phanuel, Jehoel, Israfil, and the angel Jacob-Israel. See the pseudepigraphic *Prayer of Joseph*, quoted in part in Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* V, 310. In this work Jacob says: "When I was coming from Mesopotamia of Syria [sic], Uriel, the angel of God, came forth and spoke: 'I have come down to the earth to make my dwelling among men, and I am called Jacob by name.'" The meaning of the foregoing is puzzling, unless Uriel turned into Jacob after wrestling with the patriarch at Peniel; but the incident as related in Genesis 32 suggests a different interpretation. A commentary on Exodus 4:25 speaks of a "benign angel" attacking Moses for neglecting to observe the covenantal rite of circumcision with regard to the latter's son Gershom, the benign angel being identified as Uriel in *Midrash Aggada Exodus*, and as Gabriel in *The Zohar* I, 93b. The latter source reports that Gabriel "came down in a flame of fire, having the appearance of a burning serpent," with the express purpose of destroying Moses "because of his sin." In *The Legends of the Jews* II, 328, the angel here is neither Uriel nor Gabriel but 2 angels, the wicked Hemah and Af. Uriel is said to be the angel of vengeance that Prud'hon

pictured in his "Divine Vengeance and Justice," a canvas to be found in the Louvre. Uriel, "gliding through the Ev'n/On a Sun beam" (*Paradise Lost* IV, 555) is reproduced on p. 296 from Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*. The Uriel in Percy MacKaye's *Uriel and Other Poems* is not our angel but William Vaughn Moody, American poet and playwright (1869-1910), to whom the title poem is addressed in memory. The most recent appraisal of Uriel is the one offered by Walter Clyde Curry in *Milton's Ontology Cosmology and Physics*, where, on p. 93, Professor Curry says of Uriel that he "seems to be largely a pious but not too perceptive physicist with inclinations towards atomistic philosophy." To illustrate in what high esteem Uriel was held, we find him described in the 2nd book of the *Sibylline Oracles* as one of the "immortal angels of the undying God" who, on the day of judgment, will "break the monstrous bars framed of unyielding and unbroken adamant of the brazen gates of Hades, and cast them down straightway, and bring forth to judgment all the sorrowful forms, yea, of the ghosts of the ancient Titans and of the giants, and all whom the flood overtook . . . and all these shall he bring to the judgment seat . . . and set before God's seat."

Urim ("illumination")—a cherub in Klopstock's poetic drama *Der Messias* (The Messiah). The Bible meaning of the term is a "household idol" and it is almost always used in association with tummin (or thummim), meaning "perfection" and signifying oracles for ascertaining the will of God. The urim and tummin derive from the Babylonian-Chaldean tablets of destiny ("owned" by Tiamat, female monster and reputed source of all evil), which were credited with possessing the virtue of casting the fate of men. Aaron, it will be recalled, bore the urim and tummin engraved on his breastplate as the insignia of his office of high priest (see Asser Criel). In Talmud Yoma, the urim and tummin are listed among the 5 holy things found in the First Temple and absent from the Second Temple. *The Zohar* (Exodus 234b) thus defines and distinguishes the 2 terms: "Urim signifies the luminous speculum,

which consisted of the engraving of the Divine Name composed of 42 letters by which the world was created; whereas the Thummim consisted of the nonluminous speculum made of the Divine Name as manifested in the 22 letters. The combination of the 2 is thus called Urim and Thummim." Milton, *Paradise Regained* III, 14, refers to the urim and thummim as "those oraculous gems/ On Aaron's breast." The seal of Yale University incorporates the 2 names in Hebrew characters. [Rf. Exodus 28:30; Leviticus 8:8; Ezra 2:63; Nehemiah 7:65; Driver, *Canaanite Myths and Legends*, p. 103; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 407; and Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* II, 329.]

Urion [Orion]

Urion—an angel invoked as an amulet against sorcery and sudden death. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 140.]

Urizen—in Blake's *Book of Urizen*, the angel of England, alternating with Orc. He is one of the Four Zoas and the embodiment of the god of reason. Urizen's son is the angel that Blake meets in *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*.

Urjan (Uryan)—variant form of Uriel.

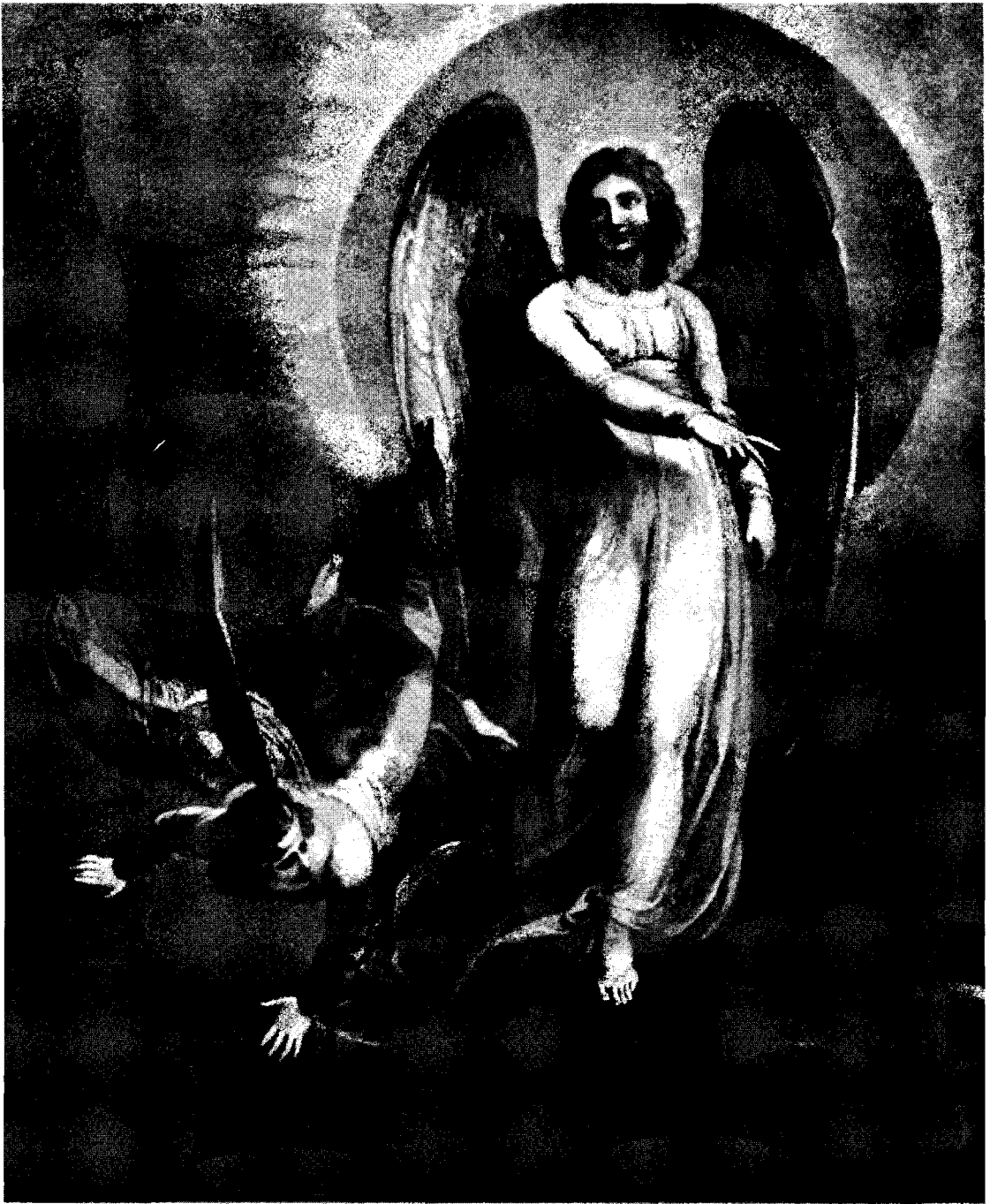
Urpaniel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Uryan [Urjan]

Urzla—in the cabala, an angel of the east, summoned in conjuring rites; he is a "glorious and benevolent angel and is asked to share with the invocant the secret wisdom of the Creator." [Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

Usura—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Usiel (Uziel, Uzziel, "strength of God")—in the cabala generally, as in *Targum Onkeles* and *Jonathan*, Usiel is an angel that fell, and is therefore evil; he was among those who wedded human wives and begat giants. Of the 10 unholy sefiroth, Usiel is listed 5th. In *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, Usiel (Uzziel) is among the 7 angels before the



The archangel Uriel shown with the falling Satan, illustrating *Paradise Lost* III. From Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.

throne of God and among 9 set over the 4 winds. [Rf. Bischoff, *Die Elemente der Kabbalah*.] Uziel replaces Uriel in the reprint English translation of *Verus Jesuitarum Libellus* ("True Magical Work of the Jesuits"). [Rf. Waite, *The Book of Ceremonial Magic*, p. 110.] The *Key to Faust's Threefold Harrowing of Hell* (otherwise known as a *Key to the Black Raven*) contains a general conjuration to Uziel and a list of his adjutant princes. [Rf. Butler, *Ritual Magic*, p. 190.] Finally, according to Milton, Uziel is a good angel, of the order of virtues, a lieutenant of Gabriel's in the fighting in Heaven at the time of Satan's defection.

Uslael—an angel serving in the 4th Heaven. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Ustael—in Barrett, *The Magus*, and in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, an angel of the 4th Heaven and a ruler on Lord's Day. He is invoked from the west. He is also one of 3 angelic messengers of the moon.

Ustur—in Chaldean lore, one of 4 chief classes of protecting genii, limned after the human likeness. Cf. the Ezekiel cherubim. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*.]

Uthra (pl. *uthri*)—in Mandaean mythology, an angel or spirit of life, one of 10, that accompany the sun on its daily course. The 10 are Zuhair, Zahrun, Buhair Bahrun, Sar, Sarwan, Tar, Tarwan, Rabia, Talia. A list of 20 *uthri* is given in Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*, with the names Pthahil, Zaharill, Adam, Qin, Ram, Rud, Shurbai, Sharhabiil, Shumbar Nu, Nuraitha, Yahya Yuhana, Qinta, Anhar, Eve, Abathur, Bahrar, Yushamin, Dnuth Hiia, Habshaba, Kana d Zidqa.

Uthri [*Uthra*]

Uvabriel—an angel of the 3rd hour of the night, serving under Sarquamich.

Uvael—an angel of Monday, resident of the 1st Heaven, and invoked from the north. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Uvall (Vual, Voval)—before he fell, an angel of the order of powers. Now, in Hell, Uvall is a great duke with 37 legions of infernal spirits ready

to do his bidding. His office is to procure the love of women at the behest of invocants. He speaks Egyptian "but not perfectly," according to Waite, *The Lemegeton*. Nowadays, it appears, Uvall converses in colloquial Coptic. His sigil is figured in Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*, p. 180.

Uvayah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Uvmiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 2nd heavenly hall.

Uwula—a ministering angel invoked at an eclipse of the sun or moon. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Uzah, Usiah (Uzza)—as Ozah or Uzah, one of the names of Metatron, as listed in *Sefer ha-Heshek*.

Uzbazbiel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 1st of the 7 heavenly halls.

Uziel—5th of the 10 unholy sefiroth. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Uziphriel—in hechaloth lore (*Ma'asseh Merkabah*), an angelic guard stationed at the 1st of the 7 heavenly halls.

Uzoh [Uzza]

Uzza (Uzzah, Ouza—"strength")—a name changed to Semyaza (*q.v.*). Like Rahab, Uzza is the tutelary angel of the Egyptians. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 17.]

Uzziel (Uziel, Azareel?—"strength of God")—one of the principal angels in rabbinic angelology; of the order of cherubim, also of the order of virtues (i.e., malachim), of which Uzziel is sometimes ranked as chief. According to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, Uzziel (Uziel) is among the 7 angels who stand before the throne of Glory, and among the 9 set over the 4 winds. In Milton, *Paradise Lost* IV, Uzziel is commanded by Gabriel to "coast the south with strictest watch." In Merkabah lore, he is an angel of mercy under the rulership of Metatron. [Rf. introd. 3 *Enoch*.]

*Heads of Evil
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Phonetic

Heads of Wrath

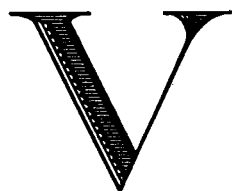


Phonetic

The Dumbass



Vessels of wrath (demons or fallen angels):
Theutus, Asmodeus, and Incubus. From Barrett,
The Magus.



Vacabiel (Vacatiel)—in joint rule with Rasamasa (another genius), Vacabiel controls the sign of Fishes (Pisces) in the zodiac. [Rf. *Prince of Darkness*, p. 178.]

Vacatiel [Vacabiel]

Vachmiel—an angel governing the 4th hour of the day. Vachmiel is served by 10 chief officers and 100 inferior spirits. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Vadriel—ruling angel of the 9th hour of the day. Vadriel, like Vachmiel, is served by 10 chief officers and 100 lesser spirits. The chief officers include Astroniël, Daniel, Madriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]*

Vahoel—one of the 72 angels in control of the 12 signs of the zodiac.

Vaij—in Jewish mysticism, one of the angels of the Seal. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Book of Moses*.]

Valiants (of the Heavens; see *Warriors*)—A term for angels, as in Isaiah 33:7, and *Psalms of Thanksgiving of the New Covenant*. [Rf. Dupont-Sommer, *The Dead Sea Scrolls*.]

Valnum—in occult lore, a Monday angel resident of the 1st Heaven and invoked from the north. He is also one of the 3 intelligences of the planet Saturn.

Vametil—in Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*, one of the 72 angels of the zodiac.

Vamona(h)—the “dwarf avatar” in Vedic lore. He is “lord of reason.” Of the 10 avatars, Vamona is 5th and Vishnu 1st.

Vanand Yezad—the only angel allowed by the Magians to preside over all the 7 Hells. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, “Preliminary Discourse,” p. 67.]

Vaol—an angel whose name appears on the 1st pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Vaphoron—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. Vaphoron is mentioned in Solomonian (black magic) tracts.

Varcan—according to Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*, an angel with dominion over the sun. (For others exercising such dominion,

see Angels of the Sun.) In de Abano, *The Heptameron*, Varcan is referred to as “king of angels of the air ruling on Lord’s Day.”

Varchiel—an angel with dominion over one of the zodiacal signs, variously given as Leo, Pisces, Corona. [Rf. Heywood, *The Hierachy of the Blessèd Angels*, p. 215.]

Variel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Varuna—chief of the 7 Vedic divinities (i.e., suryas), analogous to the Judaeo-Christian angels. [See Suryas.]

Vasariah—in the cabala, an angel of the order of dominations. He is also one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae.

Vashyash—“a prince over all the angels and Caesars.” [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Vasiariah—in the cabala, an angel who rules over justice, nobility, magistrates, and lawyers. His sigil is reproduced in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 271.

Vassago—in the grimoires, a “good spirit” invoked to discover a woman’s deepest secret.

[Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* II, 402.] In Waite, *The Lemegeton*, Vassago is a prince of the nether realms where he busies himself finding lost possessions and foretelling the future. His sigil is shown in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, p. 210.

Vatale—like Vashyash, Vatale is described as “a prince over all the angels and Caesars.”

Veguaniel—an angel ruler of the 3rd hour of the day.

Vehiel—an angel whose name is inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the moon.

Vehofnehu—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Vehuel—an angel of the order of principalities; also a zodiac angel and one of the 72 bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. His sigil is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 289.

Vehuiiah—in the cabala, one of the 8 seraphim, invoked to fulfill prayers. He governs the first rays of the sun. His sigil is shown in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, p. 260.

Infant angels by Velazquez. Detail from the *Coronation of the Virgin*. From Régamey, *Anges*.



Veischax—in Mosaic magic lore, an angel of the Seal.

Vel—a Wednesday angel, resident of the 3rd Heaven, invoked from the south.

Vel Aquiel—an angel ruler on Lord's Day (Sunday) and a resident of the 4th Heaven. For good results, he must be invoked from the north.

Velet—in de Abano, *The Heptameron*, and in Barrett, *The Magus*, a Wednesday angel resident in the 2nd or 3rd Heaven. Since he is invoked from the north, he cannot be identified with Vel (with whom, however, he seems to have much in common).

Veloas (Velous)—“a most pure angel of God” invoked in Solomonian black magic rites, specifically in the conjuration of the Sword. Veloas is a familiar figure in the grimoires.

Venahel (Venoel)—a Wednesday angel residing in the 2nd or 3rd Heaven, and invoked from the north.

Venibbeth—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Invisibility, operating under Almiras, Master of Invisibility. [Rf. *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Verchiel (Zerachiel)—angel of the month of July and ruler of the sign of Leo in the zodiac. [Rf. Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, p. 67.] Verchiel is also one of the rulers of the order of powers. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, equates Verchiel with Nakiel. According to Papus in *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*, Verchiel (here called Zerachiel) is governor of the sun.

Vertues—Milton's spelling (with lowercase “v”) for the order of virtues in *Paradise Lost*.

Veruah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Vetuel—a Monday angel resident of the 1st Heaven and invoked from the south. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus*.]

Veualiah—one of the 9 virtues, according to a chart of “L'Arbre de Vie en Iesirah” facing p. 88

in Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*. Veualiah presides over prosperity of empires and strengthens the power of kings. His corresponding angel (for purposes of invocation) is Stochene. For Veualiah's sigil, see p. 281 of Ambelain's work.

Vevallel—one of the 72 angels of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Veualiah—one of the 72 angels bearing the name of God Shemhamphorae. [Rf. Barrett, *The Magus* II.]

Vevaphel—an angel's name found inscribed on the 3rd pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Veyothiel—an angel's name in a North Italy manuscript containing, among other cabalistic items, the *Habdalah shel Rabbi Akiba* (the *Alphabet of Rabbi Akiba*).

Vhdrziolo—one of the *nomina barbara* given in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, where Vhdrziolo is spoken of as among the 4 great angels appointed by God to the Sword.

Vhnori—one of 2 governing spirits of the sign of Sagittarius. Vhnori shares the rulership with Saritael [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 413.]

Vianuel (Vianiel)—an angel of the 5th Heaven ruling on Tuesday, and invoked from the south. [Rf. *The Magus* II; Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy* III; *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Victor—an angel so called in Hyde, *A Literary History of Ireland*. Victor appears to St. Patrick and asks him to return to Ireland for the purpose of converting the pagans to Christianity.

Victor Angels—a group of luminaries so designated in *Paradise Lost* VI, where Milton speaks of them as “in Arms they stood/of Golden Panoplie, refulgent host.”

Vionatraba (Vianatraba)—in occultism, an angel of the 4th Heaven ruling on Lord's Day. He is invoked from the east. He serves also as one of 3 spirits of the sun. [Rf. de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Barrett, *The Magus* II.]



Annunciation group in glazed terracotta by Andrea Della Robbia, showing (top) God the Father symbolized also by a dove; (left) the Virgin Mary, and (right) the angel of annunciation, Gabriel. Now in the Oratorio della Anima del Purgatorio, a chapel near the church of San Nicolo, Florence. Reproduced from *Italian Masters*. New York: Museum of Modern Art, 1940.

Virgin Mary—to Roman Catholics, the Virgin Mary is queen of the angels.

Virgin of Light—in Manichaeic lore, a great angel of the order of virtues, dwelling in the

moon. In *Pistis Sophia*, the Virgin of Light replaces Sophia as judge of souls and a distributor of holy seals. She has, as her aides, 7 other Virgins of Light. [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, 150.] In Coptic texts the Virgin

of Light is the one who "chooses the bodies into which the souls of men shall be put at conception," in discharge of which duty "she sends the soul of Elijah into the body of John the Baptist."

Virgins—an order of angels mentioned in the *Coptic Book of the Resurrection of Christ by Bartholomew the Apostle*. [Rf. James, *The Apocryphal New Testament*, p. 183.] "Virgins" is very likely another term for virtues.

Virtues—a high order of angels placed usually 2nd or 3rd in the 2nd triad of the 9 choirs in the Dionysian scheme. In Hebrew lore the virtues are equated with the malakim or the tarshishim (q.q.v.). The principal duty of the virtues is to work miracles on earth. They are said to be the chief bestowers of grace and valor. Among the ruling princes of the order are Michael, Raphael, Barbiel, Uzziel, Peliel, and (originally) Satan. In the planetary scheme of the Egyptians, and in hermetics, the chief of virtues was Pi-Rhé (Pi-Ré, q.v.). More than a score of virtues are cited by name in Gustav Davidson's monograph "The Celestial Virtues." In the pseudepigraphic *Book of Adam and Eve*, 2 virtues, accompanied by 12 other angels, prepared Eve for the birth of Cain. In the just-mentioned work, its translator, L. S. A. Wells, believes that these 2 virtues "are the guardian angels of which our Lord speaks in Matthew 18:10." The 2 angels of the ascension are traditionally regarded as belonging to the order of virtues. Cf. Eusebius: "The Virtues of heaven, seeing Him rise, surrounded Him to form His escort." [Rf. Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*, p. 35.] When enumerating the 9 orders, Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, uses might in lieu of virtues. In *Larousse Illustrated Encyclopedia of Byzantine and Medieval Art*, fig. 815, the virtues are pictorially represented in a group.

Virtues of the Camps—in the *Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs*, Levi is carried to the 2nd Heaven; there he finds the "Virtues of the Camps, ready for the Day of Judgment."

Vishna—in the *Bhagavad Gita*, a mighty angel who, with Brahma and Mahish, sprang into

existence from one of the primary properties. [Rf. *The Dabistan*, p. 178.]

Vishnu—the first avatar (incarnation), to whom, according to the *Bhagavad Gita*, was confided the preservation of all that Brahma created. The legend is that Vishnu, by assuming the form of a fish, recovered the Anant-Ved (source of the 4 Vedas) from Rakshas, a demon also known as Samak Azur, who had fled with it into the deep waters. Vishnu performed other miraculous feats.

Vngsursh—an angel of the summer equinox, invoked as an effective amulet against the evil eye. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 139.]

Vocasiel (Vocatiel)—one of two governing spirits of the zodiacal sign of Pisces (fish), the other spirit being Rasamasa.

Vocatiel [Vocasiel]

Voel (Voil)—one of the angels of the zodiac. Voel represents or governs the sign of Virgo (the Virgin). [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Vohal—an angel of power invoked in conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Vohu Manah (Vohu Mano, "good thought")—one of the 6 amesha spentas (archangels) in Zoroastrianism. Vohu Manah is the personification of good thought. In the Avesta, Vohu is the 1st of the amesha spentas. He receives the faithful soul at death. [Rf. *Apocalypse of Salathiel* (embodied in Duff, *IV Esdras*).]

Voices, The—is gnostic mysticism, the voices are angelic entities inhabiting the Treasury of Light. It appears that there are 7 voices. [Rf. *Bruce Codex* (British Museum).] In Fludd, *Utriusque cosmi majoris et minoris historia*, the hierarchies are divided into 3 primary choirs called (by Fludd) voices, acclamations, apparitions.

Voil [Voel]

Voizia—an angel of the 12th hour of the day, serving under Beratiel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Voval [Uvall]

Vraniel—an angel of the 10th hour of the night, serving under Jusguarin. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Vretil (Pravuיל, Radueriel, etc.)—the arch-angelic keeper of the treasury of the Sacred Books, said to be “more wise than the other archangels.” Vretil is frequently referred to, in *Enoch II* and Ezra lore, as “the scribe of the knowledge of the Most High.” “The idea of a heavenly scribe,” says Charles, *The Book of Enoch* (p. 28), is “derived in the main from the Babylonian Nebu.” Vretil is equated with Dabriel, Uriel, Enoch, Radueriel, and Pravuil, and is associated or identified with “the man clothed in linen.” (Ezekiel 9:2 et seq.).

In *Enoch II*, 23:3ff., Vretil dictates, while Enoch writes, “366 books in 30 days and 30 nights.”

Vrihaspati—guardian of hymns and prayers in Vedic mythology; also “instructor of the gods” and “first-born in the highest Heaven of supreme light.” Otherwise known as Vachaspati and Brihaspati. [Rf. Redfield, *Gods/A Dictionary of the Deities of All Lands*.]

Vual [Uvall]

Vulamahi—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Vvael—a Monday angel resident of the 1st Heaven, invoked from the north.



"The Four Angels of the Winds," by Dürer.
The four angels have been identified as Raphael (West Wind), Uriel (South), Michael (East), Gabriel (North). Reproduced from Régamey, *Anges*.



Wall—an angel formerly of the order of powers, now a grand duke in Hell. When invoked he manifests in the form of a dromedary, and he is so shown in De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal* (1863 edition). Under Wall's command are 36 legions of infernal spirits.

Wallim—an angel serving in the 1st Heaven. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Warrior Angel, The [Michael]

Warriors—a term for one of the celestial orders of angels. So used in Milton, *Paradise Lost* I, 315, and by Zanchy, *Opera Omnia Theologica*. [*Rf. Valiants (of the Heavens).*]

Watchers—a high order of angels called also the grigori. They never sleep—which is said likewise of the irin (*q.v.*). Originally, according to *The Book of Jubilees*, the watchers were sent by God to instruct the children of men, but they fell after they descended to earth and started cohabiting with mortal women [*Cf. the "sons of God" in Genesis 6.*] In *Enoch I* there is mention of 7 watchers, and here the story is that they fell because they

failed to appear on time for certain tasks apportioned to them. Some versions in rabbinic and cabalistic lore speak of good and evil watchers, with the good watchers still dwelling in the 5th Heaven, the evil ones in the 3rd Heaven (a kind of Hell-in-Heaven realm). Chief among the good watchers are Uriel, Raphael, Raguel, Michael, Zerachiel, Gabriel, Remiel; the evil ones include Azazel, Semyaza, Shamshiel, Kokabel, Sariel, Satanil. In the recently discovered *A Genesis Apocryphon*, Lamech suspects his wife, Bat-Enosh, of having had relations with one of the watchers (called "holy ones or fallen angels") and that Noah is the seed of such a union. Bat-Enosh swears "by the King of the worlds" that the fruit is his (Lamech's). The cause of Lamech's suspicion is the fact that when Noah was born, he immediately started conversing with "the Lord of righteousness" and that his likeness was "in the likeness of the angels of Heaven." Lamech hastens to his father Methuselah for enlightenment. Methuselah in turn appeals to Enoch for the truth. Since the *Apocryphon* breaks off here, we shall probably never know what Enoch told Methuselah. In Daniel 4:13, 17, the Hebrew prophet speaks of a



The Weigher of Souls, St. Michael. A 15th-century fresco in St. Agnes, Rome. From Wall, *Devils*.

watcher whom he saw in a vision coming down from Heaven with “a decree of the watchers.” [Rf. Müllers, *History of Jewish Mysticism*, p. 52.]

Weatta—an angel of the Seal. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Weighing Angel [Dokiel]

Wezynna—a ministering angel summoned in cabalistic rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Wheels—the “many-eyed ones” or the ofanim (*q.v.*). The wheels are grouped with the cherubim and the seraphim by Talmudists as a high order of angels (thrones being the closest approximation). The angel Rikbiel is chief of the order. Cornelius Agrippa (as does Milton) identifies or associates the ofanim (wheels) with the cherubim. *The Zohar* (Exodus 233b) in a footnote ranks wheels as an angelic order “above that of seraphim.”

Winds—Hebrews 1:7, in a passage often cited and here given, would indicate that “winds” (at

least in this usage) denote angels: “He maketh the winds his angels, and flaming fires his ministers.”

Wisdom (*Pistis Sophia*)—in *Enoch II*, 33, wisdom is hypostatized. God orders wisdom, on the 6th day of Creation, “to make man of 7 substances.” In Reider, *The Book of Wisdom*, wisdom is the “assessor on God’s throne,” the instrument or divine agent (i.e., angel) “by which all things were created.” [Cf. the Logos of Philo.] According to the *Catholic Encyclopedia*, “Angel,” the term “angel of the Lord” finds a “counterpart in the personification of wisdom in the Sapiential books, and in at least one passage (Zachariah 3:1) it seems to stand for that son of Man whom Daniel (Daniel 7:13) saw brought before the Ancient of Days.”

Woman Clothed with the Sun—“And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of 12 stars. And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered” (Revelation 12:1–2). This is perhaps the only instance in angelology where a heavenly creature is pregnant. From the text, she is the celestial prototype or counterpart of the Virgin Mary, mother of the son of God. According to Heckethorn, *The Secret Societies of All Ages and Countries* (I, 108), the Woman Clothed with the Sun stems from the Egyptian Isis.

World-Supporting Angels [Omophorus; Splenditenes]

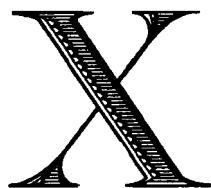
Wormwood—in Revelation 8:11, Wormwood is the name of a star that fell from Heaven at the blast of the 3rd angel. According to *A Dictionary of the Holy Bible* (American Tract Society, 1859), Wormwood “denotes a mighty prince or power of the air, the instrument of sore judgments on large numbers of the wicked.” In St. Paul’s view, Wormwood would be the equivalent of Satan, whom Paul refers to as the “prince of the power of the air.” Marie Corelli, the English romantic novelist, is the author of a novel called *Wormwood*. In another piece of fiction—*The Screwtape Letters* by C. S. Lewis—Wormwood (to whom the Letters are addressed) is a “junior

devil on earth" and a nephew of Screwtape (the latter being, according to Lewis, "an important official in His Satanic Majesty's 'Lowerarchy.'") The reader's attention is called here to *Hamlet* III, ii, where the Player Queen's "None wed the second [husband] but who kill'd the first" draws

from Hamlet the aside "Wormwood, wormwood." It is unlikely, however, that Shakespeare had our Revelation angel in mind, rather that he used the word as an expression of distaste or bitterness, a meaning that the word has, derived from the Latin *absinthium*.



Xaphan (Zephon) and Ithuriel confront Satan, transformed into his proper shape, after discovering him “squat like a toad at the ear of Eve.” By J. Martin, illustrating *Paradise Lost* IV. From Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.



Xaphan (Zephon)—one of the apostate angels, now a demon of the 2nd rank. When Satan and his angels rebelled, Xaphan joined them. Warmly welcomed because of his inventive mind, he suggested to the rebels that they set fire to Heaven; but, before the idea could be carried out, Xaphan and his colleagues were hurled to the bottom of the abyss, where Xaphan is (and presumably will be) forever engaged in fanning the embers in the furnaces. His emblem is a pair of bellows. For a likeness of Xaphan see De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*, 1863 ed.

Xathanael (Nathanael)—According to the Jerusalem manuscript of the *Gospel of Bartholomew*, and according to the testimony of Beliar the devil

(which, of course, is not always to be taken at face value), Xathanael was the 6th angel created by God—a notion that does not sit well with the *tota simul* doctrine of angels professed by Roman Catholics and others, which holds that all angels were created at one and the same time.

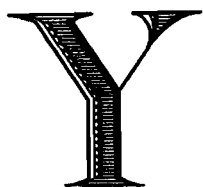
Xexor—in occultism, a benevolent spirit invoked in conjuring rites. [*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.*]

Xomoy—a benevolent spirit, like Xexor, invoked in conjuring rites.

Xonor—a benevolent spirit, like Xexor and Xomoy, invoked in conjuring rites.



The angel Yahoel (Metatron) leading the patriarch Abraham to heaven on the wings of eagles. From *The Apocalypse of Abraham*, a Slavonic Church Ms. published in St. Petersburg in 1891, reproduced from a 14th-century text.



Yaasriel—an angel in Jewish legend who is in charge of the “70 holy pencils.” With these pencils Yaasriel constantly engraves anew on shards the Ineffable Name. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 99.]

Yabbashael—one of the 7 angels who exercise dominion over the earth. Derived from Yabbashah, the meaning of which is “the mainland.” [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 10.] Yabbashael is cited in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie*. For the names of the other 6 angels with dominion over the earth, see *Angels of the Earth*.

Yadiel (Yadael)—in *The Sword of Moses*, an angel who is called on to assist an invocant in ceremonial rites. In *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316, Yadiel is listed among the angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind.

Yael (Yale, Yehel; in Hebrew “mountain goat”)—a throne angel invoked in magical rites at the close of the Sabbath. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 102.]

Yahadriel—according to *The Zohar* (Numbers

201b), one of the “mouths” created on the eve of the 1st Sabbath. Yahadriel is the “mouth of the well.” The other 2 are “the mouth of the ass” (Kadriel) and “the mouth of the Lord.”

Yahala—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Yahanaq Rabba—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Yahel (Yael)—an angel whose name is inscribed on the 4th pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.] Yahel is also one of the 15 throne angels listed in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Yahoel (Yaho, Jehoel, Jaobel)—an angel equated with Metatron (Yahoel is, in fact, the 1st of Metatron’s many names). He taught Abraham the Torah and was the patriarch’s guide on earth as well as in Paradise. [Rf. *The Testament of Abraham*.] In *The Apocalypse of Abraham*, another pseudepigraphic work, Yahoel says to Abraham: “I am called Yahoel . . . a power by virtue of the ineffable

name dwelling in me." As Jehoel, he is the heavenly choirmaster, or one of them.

Yahrmeel—in occult lore, a great angel. His name appears in Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angéologie* as Iofi El ("beauty of God"), which would equate Yahrmeel with Yahoei. Robert Fludd, 17th-century alchemist, mentions Yahrmeel in his *Cosmology of the Microcosm*.

Yahriel (Yehra, Yarheil, Zachariel—Hebrew, *yerah*, moon)—an angel with dominion over the moon. [Rf. Levi, *The History of Magic*, p. 147; Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, p. 261.]

Yahsiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Yakriel—angelic guard of the 7th Heaven. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* I, 119.]

Yalda Bahut (Ialdabaoth, "child of chaos")—in the Ophitic (gnostic) system, one of the 7 archons; named also Ariel. As the demiourgos, he occupies a position immediately below the "unknown Father." See Ialdabaoth. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 595.]

Yamenton—in the cabala, an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Yaqroun—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Yarashiel—one of numerous angelic guards of the gates of the East Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II 316.]

Yarhiel [Yahriel]

Yaron—in Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, a cherub or seraph invoked in the benediction of the Salt.

Yashiel—an angel whose name is found inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the moon. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Yazatas (yezids, "worshipful ones")—in Zoroastrianism, the Yazatas are celestial beings, genii of the elements, angels in the Persian hierarchy.

They guard the interests of mankind under the aegis of the amesha spentas (archangels). Chief of the order is Mithra (*q.v.*), the personification of light and truth.

Yazroun—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Pognon, *Inscriptions Mandaites des Coupes de Khouabir*.]

Yebemel—one of the 72 angels in control of the signs of the zodiac. [Rf. Runes, *The Wisdom of the Kabbalah*.]

Yechoel—an angel of the zodiac, an associate of Yebemel.

Yedideron—the 6th of the personalized angels of the 10 holy sefiroth. In Isaac ha-Cohen of Soria's text, the less "authoritative" personalized angel is Raphael or Michael or Pehel or Tzephon.

Yefe(h)fiah (Jefefiyah, Iofiel, Yofiel—"divine beauty")—the angelic prince of the Torah. Yefefiah taught Moses the mystery of the cabala. In Aramaic incantation texts, Yefefiah figures as one of the 6 (or 7) great archangels. In Mandaean lore, he is known as Yfin-Yufafin. He may be compared or identified with Metatron. See also Dina, which is another name for Yefefiah, according to the *Revelation of Moses*. Yefefiah is a variant spelling. [Rf. Drower, *Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans* (p. 84); Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* III, 114; VI, 47.]

Yehadriel [Akathriel]

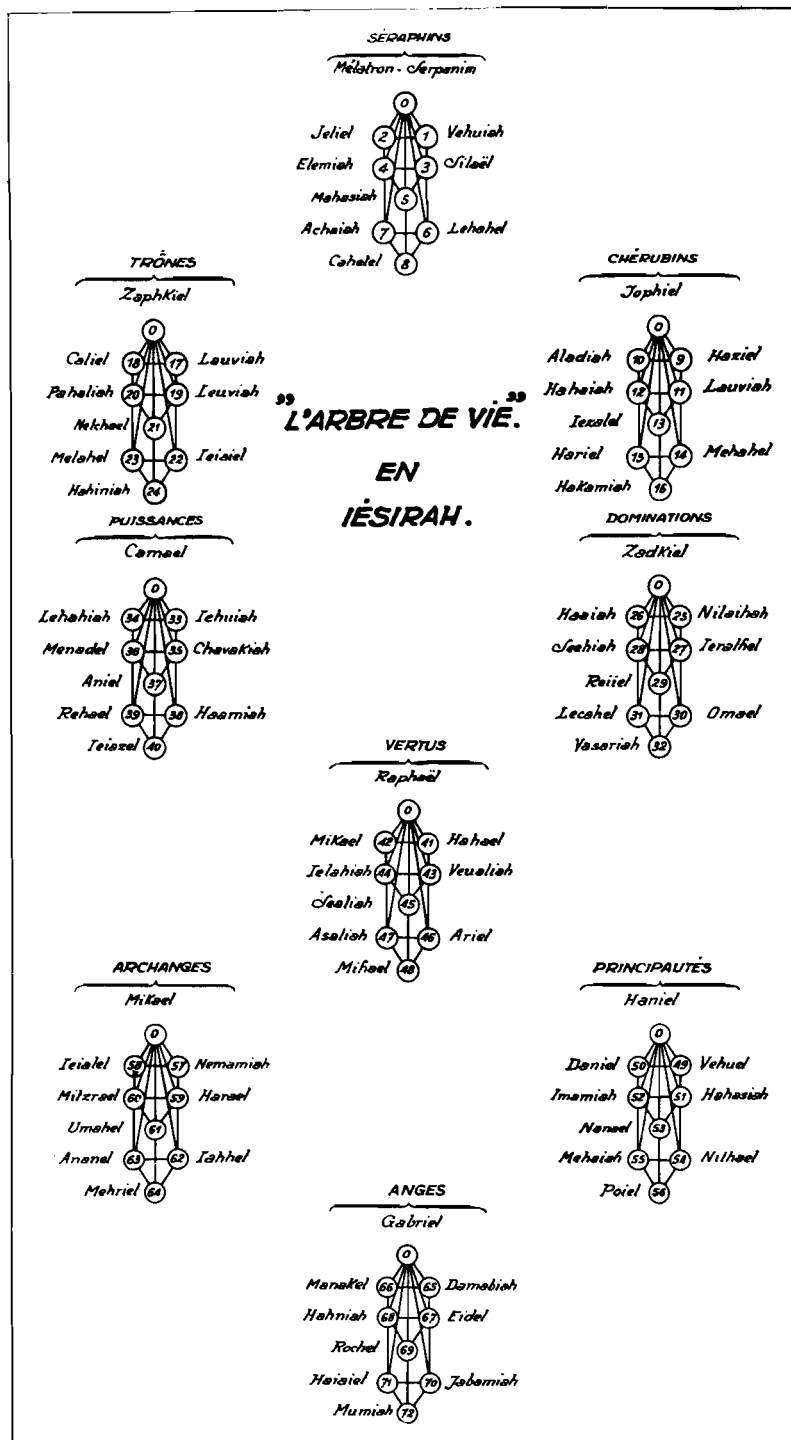
Yehemiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Yehoel—a name for the angel Metatron. [Rf. 3 *Enoch*, p. 23.]

Yehovah Vehayah—one of the many names of Metatron.

Yehudiah (Yehudiam)—in *The Zohar*, one of the chief angelic envoys. He descends with myriads of attending angels for the purpose of bearing aloft the souls of persons about to die, or who have just died. He is a beneficent angel of death. [Cf. Yahriel; Michael.]

Yekahel—in the cabala, one of the spirits of the



In Yetsirah (world of formation), the tree of life, showing the nine celestial orders and the chief angels governing each. From Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

planet Mercury. His name is inscribed on the 1st pentacle of the planet.

Yeliel—an angelic guard of the gates of the South Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Yephiel—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Yeqon [Jeqon]

Yerachmiel—in the cabala, one of 7 angels that rule the earth. These 7, says Budge in *Amulets and Talismans*, "appear to be identified with the 7 planets of the Babylonians." The 7 are Uriel, Raphael, Raguel, Michael, Suriel, Gabriel, and Yerachmiel.

Yerathel [Terathel]

Yeruel—one of 70 childbed amulet angels.

Yeruël—according to Isaac ha-Cohen's text, Yeruël is 3rd of the 10 holy sefiroth.

Yeshamiel—in Jewish legendary lore, an angel with dominion over the sign of Libra in the zodiac.

Yeshayah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Yesod (or Yesodiel—"foundation")—ranked in the cabala as 9th of the 10 holy sefiroth. Moses invoked this name (Yesod) to bring death to the first-born of men and animals in Egypt at the time of the plagues.

Yetsirah ("formation")—the world of formation (i.e., the world of angels formed from the emanations of God). In Jewish mysticism, yetsirah (or yetzirah) is the chief domain of the angels.

Yetzer Hara (Yetzer Ra)—the evil inclination in man. In Jewish tradition, and in the view of some rabbis, the Yetzer Hara is the evil spirit itself, i.e., Satan. This is how Rabbi Simeon ben Lakish, 3rd-century scholar, expressed it: "The Yetzer Ra, Satan, and the angel of death are one and the same." [Rf. *Universal Jewish Encyclopedia* I, 303.]

Yezriel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Ygal—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels.

Yikon [Jeqon]

Yisrael ("princehood and strength")—in *The*

Zohar (Vayishlah 171a), Yisrael is a variant for Israel.

Yizriel X ("princehood")—in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, one of the 14 invocation angels; also an ineffable name for God.

Ylrng—an angel (one of the *nomina barbara*) mentioned in *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.

Yofiel (Iofiel, Youfiel, Jofiel, Yefefiah)—the angel preceptor of Shem; prince of the Torah, according to an aggada of an early century. [Rf. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism, and Talmudic Tradition*.] In *The Zohar*, Yofiel is a great angelic chief with 53 legions of lesser hierarchs serving him; the latter superintend the reading of the Torah in congregations at the Sabbath. In the cabala, Yofiel is the spirit of the planet Jupiter (when Jupiter enters the signs of Pisces and Sagittarius). He is also invoked as an amulet angel. "To Yofiel, the king of the mazzikin, Kafzefoni, must submit," quotes Bamberger in *Fallen Angels*.

Yofiel Mittron X—an angel cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.

Yofim (Yofafin)—an angel in Mandaean lore. [Rf. Brandt, *Die Mandäische Religion*, pp. 26, 198; *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Yomael (Yomiel)—in 3 *Enoch*, an angelic prince of the 7th Heaven; also, an angel invoked in Syriac conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*.]

Yomiel [Yomael]

Yomyael [Jomjael]

Yonel—one of the angelic guards of the gates of the North Wind. [Rf. *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.]

Yourba [Yurba]

Yrouel—angel of fear. The name Yrouel is found inscribed on amulets worn by women during pregnancy. [Rf. Schwab, *Vocabulaire de l'Angélologie*.]

Yura—in Mandaean lore, a spirit of light and of rain. He is called "the great mystic Yura." [Rf. Drower, *The Canonical Prayerbook of the Mandaeans*, p. 304.]

Yurba (Yourba)—in Mandaean lore, chief of



From the "Triumph of Death," ascribed to Francesco Traini, in the Campo Santo, Pisa. Angels and devils are shown withdrawing the souls of the dead or dying (left) while in the air seraphim and devils are bearing away the souls of the blessed and/or damned, or fighting for possession of one or the other. Right, a group of happy persons whom Death, with a scythe, is about to cut down. From de Bles, *Saints in Art*. New York: Art Culture Publications, 1925.

the evil genii, or chief of the powers of darkness, but acting as the servant of the powers of light. It is said that the great Buhram (q.v.) derived his power from Yurba. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*.]

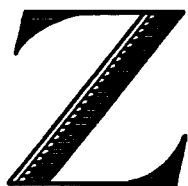
Yurkemi—(Yorkami, Baradiel)—angel of hail. In Jewish legend Yurkemi offered to extinguish the fire consuming the 3 men in the fiery furnace,

but Gabriel would not have it, contending that Yurkemi's help would not suffice. [Rf. *Sefer Yetzirah*; *Midrash Tehillim* on Psalm 117; Talmud *Pesahim* 118a.]

Yus(h)amin—in Mandaean lore, Yusamin or Yushamin is a spirit of fertility dwelling in the wellsprings of light; he is one of the 3 supreme *uthri* (angels). [See *Samandiriel*.]



“Zophiel, of Cherubim the swiftest wind,
Came flying, and in mid-air aloud thus cried.”
By Singleton, illustrating *Paradise Lost* VI. From
Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.



Za’afiel (Za’aphiel, “wrath of God”)—a holy angel with dominion over storm-winds, i.e., hurricanes; an angel of destruction appointed by God to deal with the wicked on earth. Za’afiel is 5th of the unholy sefiroth, as listed in Isaac ha-Cohen’s text. He is mentioned also in *3 Enoch*. As in other instances, Za’afiel, because of his missions, is regarded in some sources as a good angel, in others as evil.

Zaamael (Za’amiel)—an angel with dominion over storms, as listed in *3 Enoch*. In Isaac ha-Cohen’s text, “Emanations of the Left Side,” Zaamael is 6th of the unholy sefiroth.

Zabaniyah—in Arabic lore, the name of subordinate angels (guards) serving Malik (q.v.).

Zabdiel—an angel with the surname Kunya. According to M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*, Zabdiel Kunya is one of the 14 ineffable names of God.

Zabesael—an angel of the seasons associated with Milkiel (q.v.). [Rf. Grant, *Gnosticism and Early Christianity*.]

Zabkiel—one of the angelic rulers of the order of thrones, an order equated with the arelim. [Rf. Fludd, *Mosaical Philosophy*.]

Zacharael (Yahriel, “remembrance of God”)—in geonic lore, one of the 7 archangels; also, prince of the order of dominations and ruler of the 2nd Heaven. In the cabala [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, p. 100] he is an angel of the order of powers, as is the planet Jupiter. In Paracelsus’ doctrine of Talismans, Zacharael replaces Pi-Zeus, one of the planetary genii of Egypt, and is the angel of Thursday. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic* I, 317.]

Zacharel—an angel of the 7th hour of the night, serving under Mendrion. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Zachariel [Zacharael]

Zachiel (Zadkiel)—overall ruler of the 6th Heaven. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Zachriel—an angel who rules over memory. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Zaciel Parmar—one of the leaders of the fallen angels in the Enoch listings, according to Voltaire, "Of Angels, Genii and Devils."

Zacrath—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Zada—a ministering angel used for conjuring. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Zadakiel (Zadkiel)—spirit of the planet Jupiter. [Rf. Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, p. 26.]

Zaday—one of the angels of the 7 planets. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Zades—in occult lore (*Clavicula Salomonis*), an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Zadikiel—an angel invoked in Syriac conjuration rites. [Rf. *The Book of Protection*; Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*.]

Zadkiel (Tzadkiel, Zidekiel, Zadakiel, Zedekiel—"righteousness of God")—in rabbinic writings, the angel of benevolence, mercy, memory, and chief of the order of dominations (equated with hashmallim). In *Maseket Azilut*, with its 10 hierarchic orders, Zadkiel (or Zedekiel) is listed as co-chief with Gabriel of the order of shinanim. He is also one of the 9 rulers of Heaven and one of the 7 archangels that stand in the presence of God. In *The Zohar* (Numbers 154a) Zadkiel is represented as one of 2 chieftains, the other being Zophiel, who assists Michael when the great archangel bears his standard in battle. In the magical book *Höllenzwang of Dr. Faust*, Zadkiel (called "an enthroned angel of the holy Jehovah") is the regent of Mephistopheles. [Rf. Christian, *The History and Practice of Magic*, II.] According to Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*, Zadkiel is another form of Sachiel. Camfield, in *A Theological Discourse of Angels*, titles Zadkiel ruler of the zodiacal sign of the planet Jupiter—although the angel of Jupiter has been identified as Zachariel, Abadiel, Zobiachel, Barchiel, and others. To Zadkiel (as also to Michael, Tadiel, and others) is ascribed, by some writers, the act of holding back Abraham's arm when the patriarch

was about to sacrifice his son Isaac. [Rf. de Bles, *How to Distinguish the Saints in Art*, p. 52.]

Zadykiel (Zadkiel)—in Lenormant, *Chaldean Magic*, Zadykiel (so spelt) is the angel of the planet Jupiter.

Zafiel—in Jewish legendary lore, the angel in control of rain showers. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Zafniel—the angel who in geonic lore exercises rulership over one of the months of the year. [Rf. Trachtenberg, *Jewish Magic and Superstition*.]

Zafrire—morning spirits. [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, 516.]

Zagiel—an evil archangel, mentioned in *Enoch I*.

Zagin—a ministering angel, mentioned in *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

Zagnzaqi [Zagzagel]

Zagveron—an angel invoked in the benediction of the Salt. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Zagzagel (Zagzagael, Zagnzagiel, Zamzagiel—"divine splendor")—prince of the Torah and of Wisdom (but see Yefefiah, Iofiel, Metatron). Zagzagel instructed Moses in the knowledge of the Ineffable Name. He is the angel of the burning bush (but see Michael) and chief guard of the 4th Heaven, although he is said to reside in the 7th Heaven, the abode of God. A prince of the presence, Zagzagel is a teacher of angels and speaks 70 languages (cf. Metatron). [Rf. 3 *Enoch*; Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews*.] In the latter source, Zagzagel is described as the "angel with the horns of glory." In *Midrash Petirat Mosheh*, Zagzagel joined 2 other ministering angels, Michael and Gabriel, in accompanying God when the Holy One descended from Heaven to take the soul of Moses (and to assist in burying him). [Rf. *Post-Biblical Hebrew Literature*, p. 42.]

Zahabriel—in the *Pirke Hechaloth*, an angelic guard of the 1st Heaven.

Zahaftirii—in *Hechaloth Rabbati*, a prince of

the face (presence) and, with Totraviel, a seal holder at the 5th gate in Heaven.

Zahariel ("brightness")—a great angel mentioned in the works of Jewish mystic writers, specifically *The Apocalypse of Abraham*. In Levi, *Transcendental Magic*, Zahariel is an angel invoked to resist the temptations or the person of the arch-fiend Moloch.

Zahari'il—in Mandaean lore, a genius of generation and childbirth, a kindly spirit of light, also a "beneficent Lilith" (which would make Zahari'il female).

Zahbuk—an evil angel supplicated in conjurations for the separation of a husband from his wife. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Zahrūn—a *maliki* (angel) in Mandaean lore whom Milka d Anhura, the Giver of Life, sent down from Heaven to help in baptismal rites. For the legend, see Drower, *The Mandaean of Iraq and Iran*, p. 328. There were 2 *maliki* sent on this mission, the other being Zuheyr (q.v.).

Zahun—angel of scandal and one of the genii of the 1st hour. [Rf. Levi, *Transcendental Magic*; Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Zahzahiel (Zagzagel)—an angel of the order of shinanim. [Rf. Hazaz, "The Seraph."]

Zainon—in occult lore, an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed.

Zakiel—an angel invoked in Syriac charms, along with Michael, Gabriel, Sarphiel, and other spellbinding angels. Zakiel figures in the "binding [of] the tongue of the ruler." [Rf. *The Book of Protection*.]

Zakkiel—the angel governing storms; one of the great hierarchs present when God exalted Enoch in Heaven, transforming the O.T. patriarch from a mortal into Metatron. [Rf. Ginzberg *The Legends of the Jews* I, 140.]

Zakun—a great angel who, with Lahash, led 184 myriad angels to snatch away Moses' prayer (against dying) before it could reach God. (Lahash had a change of heart; brought before

God, he received 60 blows of fire and was expelled from the inner chamber.) What Zakun's punishment was, the legend (in *Midrash Petirat Mosheh*) does not say.

Zakzakiel ("merit-God") the prince appointed to write down the merits of Israel on the throne of Glory. (Cf. Talmud *Hagiga* 15a on Metatron.) In 3 *Enoch*, when the great angel Gallisur sees Zakzakiel, he (Gallisur) removes the crown of glory from his head and falls on his face, in obeisance.

Zalbesael ("heart of God")—an angel who has dominion over the rainy season. Variant spellings: Zehlebsheel, Zalebsel, etc.

Zalburis—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, the genius of therapeutics, and one of the genii of the 8th hour.

Zaliel—a Tuesday angel, resident of the 5th Heaven. He is invoked from the south.

Zamael [Sammael]

Zamarchad—an angel's name found inscribed on an oriental Hebrew charm (*kamea*) for warding off evil. [Rf. Schrire, *Hebrew Amulets*.]

Zamiyad—to the care of this angel the Persian Magi assign the black-eyed houri or nymphs of Paradise. [Rf. Sale, *The Koran*, "Preliminary Discourse," p. 72.]

Zaniel—an angel with dominion over the sign of Libra in the zodiac. Zaniel is a Monday angel serving in the 1st Heaven and invoked from the west.

Zanzagiel [Zagzagel]

Zanziel—one of the numerous angelic guards of the gates of the West Wind, as listed in *Ozar Midrashim* II, 316.

Zaphiel (Zophiel, Iofiel, etc.)—a ruler of the order of cherubim, and prince of the planet Saturn. Zaphiel is also the preceptor angel of Noah. Milton (*Paradise Lost* VI, 535) calls Zaphiel (Zophiel) "of cherubim the swiftest wing." A "likeness" of Zophiel appears in Hayley, *The*

Poetical Works of John Milton. According to Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*, Zaphiel is also "chief of (the order of) thrones."

Zaphkiel (Zaphchial, Zaphiel, Zophiel, etc.—"knowledge of God")—chief of the order of thrones and one of the 9 angels that rule Heaven; also one of the 7 archangels. Zaphkiel is a governor of the planet Saturn (sharing this post, it should be noted, with such other luminaries as Iophiel and Orifiel). According to Fludd, Zaphkiel, as Zophiel, is the ruler of the order of cherubim (the rabbinic ophanim). [See references in the works of Agrippa, Camfield, Heywood, and Milton.] In Klopstock, *The Messiah*, Zophiel is the "herald of Hell." But there is still some question as to whether Zophiel can properly be equated with Zaphkiel.

Zaqen—one of the angel Metatron's many names.

Zarall—one of the twin cherubim that occupied the Mercy Seat of the Ark of the Covenant; the other cherub was Jael.

Zaraph (fictional)—the 3rd angel, a seraph, in Moore's *The Loves of the Angels*.

Zarazaz (Maskelli)—in *Pistis Sophia* (p. 370), the name of an angel "called by the demons after a strong demon of their own place Maskelli." [Rf. Legge, *Forerunners and Rivals of Christianity* II, pp. 75, 148.] Zarazaz is the guard of the veil of the celestial treasure house.

Zaren—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, an avenging genius.

Zarobi—in occultism, the spirit (genius) of precipices. In Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, he is one of the rulers of the 3rd hour.

Zaron—in Solomonic magic, an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 115.]

Zaroteij—an angel of the Seal. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Zarzakiel (Zagzagel?)—the angelic prince "appointed by God to write down the merits of

Israel on the throne of glory." Zarzakiel is compared or identified with Sopheriel the Lifegiver. [Rf. 3 Enoch; Müller, *History of Jewish Mysticism*.]

Zathael—one of the 12 angels of vengeance, the 1st angels formed by God at Creation (see Nathanael). The names of only 6 of these angels of vengeance are known: apart from Zathael, Satanael, Michael, Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael, Nathanael. In some sources (Jewish legend) the angels of vengeance are equated with the angels of the presence, who were also 12 in number.

Zatriel—an angel invoked in Syriac ritual magic. Zatriel is grouped with Michael, Gabriel, Shamshiel, and other "spellbinding angels" in *The Book of Protection*. [Rf. Budge, *Amulets and Talismans*, p. 278.]

Zauir Aphin or **Zauir Aupin**—identified with Microprosopus, the "Lesser Countenance" (of God), a cabalistic concept.

Zaurva(n)—a daeva in Zoroastrian lore. Zaurva is referred to as the demon of decrepitude. [Rf. Geiger and Kuhn, *Grundriss der iranischen Philologie* III; Seligmann, *History of Magic*.]

Zavael (Rashiel)—an angel who controls and has dominion over whirlwinds, as noted in 3 Enoch. Another angel credited with having such dominion and control is Rashiel.

Zavebe—one of the 200 angels who, under the leadership of Semyaza, descended to earth and cohabited with the daughters of men, an incident touched on in Genesis 6. While Enoch speaks of only 200 angels that fell, John in Revelation speaks of one third of the heavenly host that defected; and they defected, it seems, from each of the 9 orders. [See Fallen Angels.] There is a reference to Zavebe in Mark Van Doren's poem "The Prophet Enoch."

Zawar—a throne angel, one of 15, used in cabalistic conjuring rites. [Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.]

Zazahiel—angelic guard of the 3rd Heaven. Mentioned, with numerous others, in *Ozar Midrashim* I, 116.

Zazaii (or Zazay)—in the grimoires, a “high holy angel of God” who can be invoked in ritual rites for the exorcism of evil spirits through the application of incense and fumigations [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

Zazay [Zazaii]

Zazean—an angel invoked in the exorcism of the Bat. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, p. 113.]

Zazel—a great angel invoked in Solomonian magic, particularly effective in love conjurations. He is the spirit of Saturn, with the cabalistic number 45. [Rf. *Grimorium Verum*; Barrett, *The Magus* II, 146.] Zazel figures, along with Asiel, in a talisman against sudden death, reproduced in Grillot, *A Pictorial Anthology of Witchcraft, Magic and Alchemy*, p. 342.

Zazriel (“strength of God”)—in *3 Enoch*, an angelic prince representing the “divine strength, might, and power.” When, in Heaven, Zazriel sees Geburatiel the prince, “he [Zazriel] removes the crown of glory from his head and falls on his face,” in obeisance. Note: the angels of the Merkabah are all, it seems, on horseback and must dismount every time one of them runs into a brother angel of higher rank.

Zesar—regarded by the Naassenes (a gnostic sect) as “one of the great powers of the higher world, and related to [the rulership of] the river Jordan flowing upstream.” [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 49.]

Zeba'marom—a term for angels used in Isaiah 24:21, where it denotes “hosts of the heights.”

Zeba'shamaim—a term for angels used in Deuteronomy 17:3, where it denotes “hosts of Heaven.”

Zebul (“habitation,” “temple”)—an angel who shares the rule of the 6th Heaven with Sabath—Zebul ruling by night, Sabath by day. However, Zebul is also a designation for the 3rd Heaven (as in *Visions of Ezekiel*) and a designation for the 4th Heaven (as in *3 Enoch* and Talmud *Hagiga* 12b.)

Zebuleon—one of the 9 angels who will rule or judge “at the end of the world,” according to *Revelation of Esdras*. For the names of the 8 other angels, see *Angels at the End of the World*.

Zebuliel—in *The Zohar* (Exodus 201b) the chief angel of the west in the 1st Heaven, ruling only when the moon appears. He presides also over numerous chieftains who stand sentry over 9 doors. It is said that Zebuliel, in addition, accompanies prayers to the 2nd Heaven.

Zeburial—in *Pirke Hechaloth*, an angelic guard of one of the halls of the 7th Heaven.

Zechariel (“Jehovah remembers”)—one of the 7 regents of the world; according to Cornelius Agrippa, Zechariel governs the planet Jupiter—which is governed, as noted elsewhere, by other angels as well.

Zechriel—one of 70 childbed amulet angels.

Zedekiel [Zadkiel]

Zedereza (Zedeesia, Zedezias)—a great luminary “by the pronouncement of whose name God will cause the sun and moon to be darkened.” [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Zeffar—in Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*, the “genius of irrevocable choice.” He also serves as one of the genii of the 9th hour.

Zehanpuryu'h (“this one sets free”)—a great angelic prince; advocate general of Heaven and dispenser of divine mercy. With Michael he is weigher of the inerrable balances. Zehanpuryu'h is one of the crown princes of the Merkabah, with a rank higher than that of Metatron. [Rf. *3 Enoch*.] In *Hechaloth Rabbati*, he is guardian of the 7th hall of the 7th Heaven.

Zeirna—genius of infirmities and one of the genii of the 5th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Zekuniel—in Isaac ha-Cohen's tract “Emanations of the Left Side,” Zekuniel is an alternate for Peli'iel as 2nd of the 10 holy sefiroth.

Zelebsel (“heart of God”)—angel of the rainy season (in Enoch lore and in Schwab, *Vocabulaire*

de l'Angelologie). Zelebsel is also one of 3 leaders of the months under the rulership of Melkejal.

Zephaniah (Zephemiah, Zephaniel—"Jehovah hides")—in rabbinic literature, chief of the order of ishim, which is the 2nd hierarchic order in the 10 orders of the cabala. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* VI, 236.] Zephaniah, by the way, is a name for the witch (or, more correctly, the diviner) of Endor. [See Sedecla.]

Zephaniel—according to listing, in *Maseket Azilut*, of 10 hierarchic orders, Zephaniel is chief of the order of the ishim (q.v.). [Rf. *Jewish Encyclopedia*, "Angelology."]

Zephon ("a looking out")—guardian prince of Paradise; the 6th sefirah; one of the cherubim. In *Paradise Lost* IV, 788 and 813, Gabriel dispatches Zephon, along with Ithuriel, to find Satan. They locate the "grieslie king" in the Garden of Eden on the point of tempting Eve. An illustration showing Zephon and Ithuriel confronting Satan appears in Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.

Zerachiel (Verchiel, Suriel, Saraqael)—one of the 7 angels "who keep watch," as in *Enoch I* and *Esdras IV*. This would place Zerachiel in the camp of the grigori (q.v.). In Papus, *Traité Élémentaire de Science Occulte*, Zerachiel is a presiding angel of the sun. When equated with Verchiel (as he has been), Zerachiel is the angel of July and ruler of Leo in the zodiac.

Zerahiyah—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Zerahyahu—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Zeroel [Zeruch]

Zeruch (Zeruel, Zeroel, Cerviel—"arm of God")—an angel "set over strength." Zeruch bore up the arms of a warrior named Cerez or Kenaz in the battle with the Amorites, an incident related in *The Biblical Antiquities of Philo*. [See Nathanael.]

Zeruel [Zeruch]

Zethar—one of the angels of confusion. [Rf. Ginzberg, *The Legends of the Jews* IV, where Zethar is an "observer of immorality."]

Zevanion—in the cabala, an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed.

Zevtiyahu—one of the many names of the angel Metatron.

Zevudiel—in *Hechaloth Rabbati*, one of the 7 angelic guards of the 1st Heaven.

Zhsmael—an evil angel employed in conjuring rites for separating a husband from his wife. [Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

Zianor—an angel invoked in the conjuration of Ink and Colors.

Zideon—like Zevanion, an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed.

Zi'iel—in *3 Enoch*, the angel "appointed over commotion."

Zikekiel—preceptor angel of Abraham (but see Zadkiel).

Zikiel (Ziqiel)—in *3 Enoch*, chief angel of comets and sparks (lightning). [See Akhibel.] In medieval Hebrew texts, Zikiel is in control of meteors. [Rf. *The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*, "Angels."]

Zimimar (Zimmar)—"the lordly monarch of the North," a title given him by Shakespeare. [Rf. Spence, *An Encyclopaedia of Occultism*, p. 119.]

Ziv Hii—in Mandaean lore, one of the 4 *malki* (angels) of the North Star.

Zizuph—genius of mysteries and one of the genii of the 8th hour.

Zkzoromtiel—one of the *nomina barbara* in *The Sword of Moses*, where Zkzoromtiel is leader of the angels of ire.

Zlar—in Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis* (Key of Solomon), one of the "glorious and benevolent angels" who, when invoked, is solicited to share with the invocant the secret wisdom of the Creator.

Doré's illustration for *Paradise Lost* IV, showing the angels Ithuriel and Zephon on their way to earth to hunt the whereabouts of Satan. From Hayley, *The Poetical Works of John Milton*.



Zobiachel—angel of the planet Jupiter, according to Longfellow, *The Golden Legend*. In the cabala the angel of Jupiter is Zadkiel or Zachariel. The name Zobiachel occurs nowhere else than in Longfellow's work and may be a *hapax legomenon*.

Zogenethles—in gnosticism, an angelic power or acon. [Rf. Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*, p. 85.]

Zohar ("splendor")—an angel invoked in the conjuration of the Reed. [Rf. Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.]

Zoharariel JHWH—in hechaloth lore, the name of one of the highest angels (if not the highest), or a secret name of God. Scholem, *Jewish Gnosticism, Merkabah Mysticism and Talmudic Tradition*, pp. 59–60, construes Zoharariel as "one of the principal objects of the Merkabah vision."

Zoigmiel—angel of the 9th hour of the day, serving under Vadriel. [Rf. Waite, *The Lemegeton*.]

Zomen—in occultism, an angel invoked in the exorcism of Wax. He is mentioned in the *Clavicula Salomonis*.

Zoniel—one of the 3 angelic messengers of the planet Saturn. [Rf. *The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*.]

Zonoei—in Chaldean mythology, the zonoei are planetary deities or intelligences; they are 3rd in order of celestial beings charged with the direction of the universe. [Rf. Aude, *Chaldean Oracles of Zoroaster*.]

Zophas—genius (angel) of pentacles and one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Zophiel or **Zaphiel** ("God's spy")—a spirit invoked in the prayer of the Master of the Art in Solomonian conjuration rites. When Michael bears his standard in battle, he has assisting him 2 chieftains, Zophiel being one of them (Zadkiel the other). [See *The Zohar* (Numbers 154a).] In *Paradise Lost* VI Zophiel reports to the heavenly hosts that the rebel crew are preparing a 2nd and fiercer attack. To Klopstock (*The Messiah*) Zophiel

is the "herald of hell." He is the main character in the book-length poem entitled *Zophiel*, by the American poet Maria Del Occidente (Maria Gowen Brooks) who derived her inspiration from the story in the apocryphal *Book of Tobit*. Another character in the poem is the angel Raphael who also goes by the name of Hariph. In the poem, Zophiel is a fallen (but not evil) angel "with traces of his original virtue and beauty and the lingering hope of restoration to the presence of the Divinity."

Zoroel—in *The Testament of Solomon*, an angel who is able to circumvent the designs of Kumeatel, one of the 36 demons of disease (the decani). Zoroel is also mentioned in Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*.

Zorokothera or **Zorokothora** [Melchizedec]

Zortek—one of the angelic guards of the 1st Heaven. [Rf. *Pirke Hechaloth*.]

Zotiel ("little one of God")—in Enoch lore, a cherub sometimes identified as Johiel, guardian of Paradise. Enoch encountered Zotiel during his journey "beyond the Erythraean Sea." [Variant spellings: Zutiel, Zutel.]

Zouriel—in Jewish gnosticism, an angel whose name is found inscribed on magic amulets, along with the names of Gabriel, Michael, etc.

Zsneil—an evil angel cited in M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*. Zsneil is invoked to cure inflammation, dropsy, and other disorders.

Zuhair—in Mandaean lore, one of 10 *uthri* (angels) that follow the sun on its daily course.

Zuheyr—one of 2 *malki* (angels) in Mandaean lore whom the Great Life (i.e., God) sent down to help man in the performance of baptismal rites. [Rf. Drower, *The Mandaeans of Iraq and Iran*, p. 328.] The other *malki* was Zahrun (q.v.).

Zumech—"a most holy angel of God" invoked in magical operations. For details of invocation, see Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*.

Zumiel—one of the 70 childbed amulet angels. [Rf. *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.]

Zuphlas—in ritual magic, a genius of forests; also one of the genii of the 11th hour. [Rf. Apollonius of Tyana, *The Nuctemeron*.]

Zuriel ("my rock is God")—prince of the order of principalities, ruler of the sign of Libra

in the zodiac [Rf. Camfield, *A Theological Discourse of Angels*], and one of the 70 childbed amulet angels; also a curer of stupidity in man. When equated with Uriel, he is the angel of September. In Numbers 3:35, Zuriel is "chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari."

Musical cherubim. From Heywood, *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*.



Appendix

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THE ANGELIC SCRIPT

ALPHABET "CÉLESTE"*Theth Cheth Zain Vau He Daleth Gimel Beth Aleph*
Zade Pe Aïn Samech Nun Mem Lamed Caph Iod
Tau Schin Res Kuff
ALPHABET "MALACHIM"**DIT "ÉCRITURE DES ANGES" OU "ROYALE"***Zain Vau He Daleth Gimel Beth Aleph*
Nun Mem Lamed Caph Iod Theth Cheth
Res Kuff Zade Pe Aïn Samech Samech Shin Tau
ALPHABET "DU PASSAGE DU FLEUVE"*Cheth Zain Vau He Daleth Gimel Beth Aleph*
Samech Nun Mem Lamed Caph Iod Theth
Tau Schin Res Kuff Zade Pe Aïn

The Angelic Script, with variations of the Hebrew alphabet, from aleph to tau. From Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

THE ORDERS OF THE CELESTIAL HIERARCHY

According to Various Sources and Authorities

ST. AMBROSE (in *Apologia Prophet David*, 5)

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Dominations
4. Thrones
5. Principalities
6. Potentates (Powers)
7. Virtues
8. Archangels
9. Angels

ST. JEROME

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Powers
4. Dominions (Dominations)
5. Thrones
6. Archangels
7. Angels

GREGORY THE GREAT (in *Homilia*)

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Thrones
4. Dominations
5. Principalities
6. Powers
7. Virtues
8. Archangels
9. Angels

PSEUDO-DIONYSIUS

(in *Celestial Hierarchy*; also Thomas Aquinas
in *Summa Theologica*)

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Thrones
4. Dominations
5. Virtues
6. Powers

7. Principalities

8. Archangels

9. Angels

Constitutions of the Apostles(in *Clementine Liturgy of the Mass*)

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Aeons
4. Hosts
5. Powers
6. Authorities
7. Principalities
8. Thrones
9. Archangels
10. Angels
11. Dominions

ISIDORE OF SEVILLE (in *Etymologiarum*)*

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Powers
4. Principalities
5. Virtues
6. Dominations
7. Thrones
8. Archangels
9. Angels

MOSES MAIMONIDES (in *Mishne Torah*)

1. Chaioth ha-Qadesh
2. Auphanim
3. Aralim (Erelim)
4. Chashmalim
5. Seraphim
6. Malachim
7. Elohim
8. Bene Elohim
9. Kerubim
10. Ishim

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* *Note:* in Isidore of Seville's *De Ordine Creaturarum*, only 7 orders are listed, and the sequence runs thus: 1. Thrones; 2. Dominations; 3. Principalities; 4. Potentates (Powers); 5. Virtues; 6. Archangels; 7. Angels. The Seraphim are not given; the Cherubim are mentioned in a footnote.

The Zohar (Exodus 43a)

1. Malachim
2. Erelim
3. Seraphim
4. Hayyoth
5. Ophanim
6. Hamshalim
7. Elim
8. Elohim
9. Bene Elohim
10. Ishim

*Maseket Azilut**

1. Seraphim
2. Ofanim
3. Cherubim
4. Shinnanim
5. Tarshishim
6. Ishim
7. Hashmallim
8. Malakim
9. Bene Elohim
10. Arelim

JOHN OF DAMASCUS (*De Fide Orthodoxa*)

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Thrones
4. Dominions
5. Powers
6. Authorities (Virtues)
7. Rulers (Principalities)
8. Archangels
9. Angels

Berith Menucha†

1. Arelim
2. Ishim
3. Bene Elohim
4. Malakim

* The chiefs of the orders given in *Maseket Azilut* are 1. Shemuel (Kemuel or Jehoel) for Seraphim; 2. Raphael and Ofaniel for Ofanim; 3. Cherubiel for Cherubim; 4. Zedekiel (Zadkiel) and Gabriel for Shinnanim; 5. Tarshiel and Sabriel for Tarshishim; 6. Zephaniel for Ishim; 7. Hashmal for Hashmallim; 8. Uzziel for Malakim; 9. Hofniel for Bene Elohim; 10. Michael for Arelim.

† It will be observed that in the *Berith Menucha* list, the Seraphim are ranked last (and 10th). The chiefs of the orders here are: 1. Michael for Arelim; 2. Zephaniah for Ishim; 3. Hofniel for Bene Elohim; 4. Uriel for Malakim; 5. Hashmal for Hashmallim; 6. Tarshish for Tarshishim; 7. Zadkiel for Shinnanim; 8. Cherub for Cherubim; 9. Raphael for Ofanim; 10. Jehoel for Seraphim.

5. Hashmallim
6. Tarshishim
7. Shinnanim
8. Cherubim
9. Ofanim
10. Seraphim

DANTE

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Thrones
4. Dominations
5. Virtues
6. Powers
7. Archangels
8. Principalities
9. Angels

BARRETT, *The Magus*

1. Seraphim
2. Cherubim
3. Thrones
4. Dominations
5. Powers
6. Virtues
7. Principalities
8. Archangels
9. Angels
10. Innocents
11. Martyrs
12. Confessors

The erelim and the ishim are sometimes considered the same [*Rf. Revelation of Moses* in M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts in Folklore*, pp. 128–129.]

The erelim are derived from Isaiah 33:7. The elim are derived from Exodus 15:27 and Ezekiel 32:21.

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The hashmallim (or hamshalim) are often equated with the order of dominations.

The hayyoths are equated with the cherubim (Ezekiel 20).

The ophanim in turn are equated with the cherubim; they are referred to as the "many-eyed ones" or "wheels."

The thrones are equated with the ofanim or arelim (erelim).

The malakim and the tarshishim are identified with the virtues.

The tafsarim (3 *Enoch*) constitute an order of angels grouped usually with the elim and erelim;

they are regarded as "greater than all the ministering angels who minister before the throne of glory."

The bene elohim (sons of God) are sometimes equated with the ishim. According to *The Zohar*, they belong to a subdivision of the order of thrones.

Other hierarchic orders, mentioned in various sources, religious and secular, include ardors, authorities, sanctities, voices, regents, apparitions, acclamations, sovereignties, gonfalons, warriors, etc.

THE SEVEN ARCHANGELS

According to Various Sources and Authorities

Enoch I (Ethiopic Enoch)

(the earliest reference to the 7)

1. Uriel
2. Raphael
3. Raguel (Ruhel, Ruagel, Ruahel)
4. Michael
5. Zerachiel (Araqael)
6. Gabriel
7. Remiel (Jeremiel, Jerahmeel)

3 *Enoch* (Hebrew Enoch)*

1. Mikael
2. Gabriel
3. Shatqiel
4. Baradiel
5. Shachaqiel
6. Baraqiel (Baradiel)
7. Sidriel (or Pazriel)

Testament of Solomon

1. Mikael
2. Gabriel
3. Uriel
4. Sabrael
5. Arael
6. Iaoth
7. Adonael

CHRISTIAN GNOSTICS

1. Michael
2. Gabriel
3. Raphael
4. Uriel (= Phanuel)
5. Barachiel
6. Sealtiel
7. Jehudiel

GREGORY THE GREAT

1. Michael
2. Gabriel
3. Raphael
4. Uriel
5. Simiel
6. Orifiel
7. Zachariel

PSEUDO-DIONYSIUS

1. Michael
2. Gabriel
3. Raphael
4. Uriel
5. Chamuel
6. Jophiel
7. Zadkiel

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* In Odeberg's edition of 3 *Enoch*, it is noted that "each of the 7 archangels is accompanied by 496,000 myriads of ministering angels."

IN GEONIC LORE

1. Michael
2. Gabriel
3. Raphael
4. Aniel
5. Kafziel
6. Samael
7. Zadkiel

IN TALISMANIC MAGIC

1. Zaphkiel
2. Zadkiel
3. Camael

Other archangels mentioned as among the 7 include: Pravuil, Shepherd, Phanuel (equated with Uriel).

In Persian mythology, "the holy immortal ones," all of whom had the nature of angels, were: 1. Justice or Truth; 2. Right Order; 3. Obedience; 4. Prosperity; 5. Piety or Wisdom; 6. Health; 7. Immortality.

According to Muslim lore there are only 4 arch-

4. Raphael
5. Haniel
6. Michael
7. Gabriel

IN *The Hierarchy of the Blessed Angels*

1. Raphael
2. Gabriel
3. Chamuel
4. Michael
5. Adabiel
6. Haniel
7. Zaphiel

angels: Gabriel, Michael, Azrael, Israfel. Usually 7, rather than 4, were favored because 7 is a more mystical number and because, as we read in Esther 1:14, there were "Seven princes who saw the king's (God's) face."

The Babylonians regarded the 7 planets as deities, and these (says W. O. E. Oesterley) were the prototype of the Judæo-Christian archangels. The amesha spentas have also been regarded as the prototype.

THE RULING PRINCES OF THE NINE CELESTIAL ORDERS

SERAPHIM

Michael, Seraphiel, Jehoel, Uriel, Kemuel (Shemuel), Metatron, Nathanael, and Satan (before his fall)

CHERUBIM

Gabriel, Cherubiel, Ophaniel, Raphael, Uriel, Zophiel, and Satan (before his fall)

THRONES

Orifiel, Zaphkiel, Zabkiel, Jophiel (or Zophiel), Raziel

DOMINIONS (Dominations)

Zadkiel, Hashmal, Zacharael (Yahriel), Muriel

VIRTUES

Uzziel, Gabriel, Michael, Peliel, Barbiel, Sabriel, Haniel, Hamaliel, Tarshish

POWERS

Camael, Gabriel, Verchiel, and Satan (before his fall)

PRINCIPALITIES

Nisroc, Haniel, Requel, Cerviel, Amael

ARCHANGELS

Metatron, Raphael, Michael, Gabriel, Barbiel, Jehudiel, Barachiel, and Satan (before his fall)

ANGELS

Phaleg, Adnachiel (Advachiel), Gabriel, Chayyiel

THE ANGEL RULERS OF THE SEVEN HEAVENS

FIRST HEAVEN (Shamain or Shamayim)

Angel Ruler: Gabriel

SECOND HEAVEN (Raquie or Raqia)

Angel Rulers: Zachariel and Raphael

THIRD HEAVEN (Sagun or Shehaqim)

Angel Rulers: Anahel (chief); subordinate
princes: Jabniel, Rabacyel, Dalquiel

FOURTH HEAVEN (Machonon or Machen)

Angel Ruler: Michael

FIFTH HEAVEN (Mathey or Machon)

Angel Ruler: Sandalphon or Sammael

SIXTH HEAVEN (Zebul)

Angel Rulers: Zachiel (chief); subordinate
princes: Zebul (during the day); Sabath
(during the night)

SEVENTH HEAVEN (Araboth)

Angel Ruler: Cassiel

[*Rf. The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, 137; *The Book of the Angel Raziel*; de Abano, *The Heptameron*; Cornelius Agrippa, *Three Books of Occult Philosophy*.]

THE THRONE ANGELS

According to *The Book of the Angel Raziel*, the throne angels number 7. Other sources give the number as 4 or 70. Below are the 7 from *The Book of the Angel Raziel*. The other 15 listed are cabalistic throne angels and are drawn from *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*. They are invoked in magical arts.

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| 1. Gabriel | 4. Uriel |
| 2. Fanuel (Penael,
Uriel, Feniël,
Phanuel) | 5. Raphael |
| | 6. Israel |
| 3. Michael | 7. Uzziel (or Usiel) |

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|-------------|---------------|
| 1. Thronus | 9. Adoyahel |
| 2. Tehom | 10. Schimuel |
| 3. Haseha | 11. Achusaton |
| 4. Amarzyom | 12. Schaddyl |
| 5. Schawayt | 13. Chamyl |
| 6. Chuscha | 14. Parymel |
| 7. Zawar | 15. Chayo |
| 8. Yahel | |

THE SIXTY-FOUR ANGEL-WARDENS OF THE SEVEN CELESTIAL HALLS
OR HEAVENS (HECHALOTH)

IN THE 1ST HEAVEN OR HALL

1. Suria
2. Tutrechial
3. Tutrusiai
4. Zortek
5. Mufgar
6. Ashrulyai
7. Sabriel

8. Zahabriel
9. Tandal
10. Shokad
11. Huzia
12. Deheboryn
13. Adririon
14. Khabel (head supervisor)

Continued

15. Tashriel
16. Nahuriel
17. Jekusiel
18. Tufiel
19. Dahariel
20. Maskiel
21. Shoel
22. Sheviel

IN THE 2ND HEAVEN

23. Tagriel (chief)
24. Maspriel
25. Sahriel
26. Arfiel
27. Shahariel
28. Sakriel
29. Ragiel
30. Schibiel

IN THE 3RD HEAVEN

31. Sheburiel (chief)
32. Retsutsiel
33. Shalmial
34. Savliel
35. Harhazial
36. Hadriale
37. Bezriale

IN THE 4TH HEAVEN

38. Pachdial (chief)
39. Gvurtial
40. Kzuial

[*Rf. Pirke Hechaloth.*]

41. Shchinial
42. Shtukial
43. Arvial (or Avial)
44. Kfiel
45. Anfial

IN THE 5TH HEAVEN

46. Techial (chief)
47. Uzial
48. Gmial
49. Gamriale
50. Sefriale
51. Garfiel
52. Griale
53. Driale
54. Paltrial

IN THE 6TH HEAVEN

55. Rumial
56. Katmial
57. Gehegial
58. Arsabrsbial
59. Egrumial
60. Parzial
61. Machkial (Mrgial, Mrgiviel)
62. Tufriale

IN THE 7TH HEAVEN

63. Zeburial
64. Tutrbebial

THE GOVERNING ANGELS OF THE TWELVE MONTHS OF THE YEAR

JANUARY	Gabriel (or Cambiel)	JULY	Verchiel
FEBRUARY	Barchiel	AUGUST	Hamaliel
MARCH	Machidiel (or Malahidael)	SEPTEMBER	Uriel (or Zuriel)
APRIL	Asmodel	OCTOBER	Barbiel
MAY	Ambriel (or Ambiel)	NOVEMBER	Adnachiel (or Advachiel)
JUNE	Muriel	DECEMBER	Hanael (or Anael)

[*Rf. De Plancy, Dictionnaire Infernal, IV, 138.*]

SPIRITS, MESSENGERS, INTELLIGENCES OF THE SEVEN PLANETS

SUN

Spirits: Gabriel, Vianathraba, Corat
 Messengers: Burchat, Suceratos, Capabile
 Intelligences: Haludiel, Machasiel, Chassiel

MOON

Spirits: Gabriel, Gabrael, Madios
 Messengers: Anael, Pabael, Ustael
 Intelligences: Uriel, Naromiel, Abuori

SATURN

Spirits: Sammael, Bachiel, Astel
 Messengers: Sachiel, Zoniël, Hubaril
 Intelligences: Mael, Oraël, Valnum

JUPITER

Spirits: Setchiel, Chedusitaniël, Corael
 Messengers: Turiel, Coniel, Babiël
 Intelligences: Kadiel, Maltiel, Huphatriel, Estael

VENUS

Spirits: Thamael, Tenariel, Arragon
 Messengers: Colzras, Peniel, Penael
 Intelligences: Penat, Thiel, Rael, Teriapel

MERCURY

Spirits: Mathlai, Tarmiel, Baraborat
 Messengers: Raphael, Ramel, Doremiel
 Intelligences: Aiediat, Modiat (Mediat),
 Sugmonos, Sallales

Presiding Spirits of Jupiter: Sachiel, Castiel,
 Asasiel

Presiding Spirits of Venus: Anael, Rachiel,
 Sachiel

Presiding Spirits of Mars: Sammael, Satael,
 Amabiel

Presiding Spirits of Mercury: Raphael, Uriel,
 Seraphiel

[*Rf. The Secret Grimoire of Turiel*, 33-35, which omits listing the Spirits, Messengers, and Intelligences of Mars.]

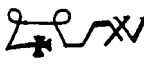
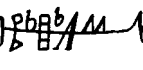
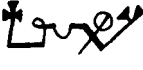
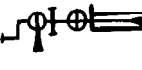
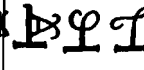
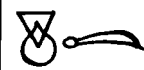
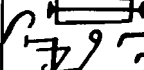
THE ANGELIC GOVERNORS OF THE TWELVE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC

<i>Angel</i>	<i>Sign</i>	<i>Angel</i>	<i>Sign</i>
Malahidael or Machidiel (Angel of March)	Aries (the Ram)	Barbiel (Angel of October)	Scorpio (the Scorpion)
Asmodel (Angel of April)	Taurus (the Bull)	Advachiel or Adnachiel (Angel of November)	Sagittarius (the Archer)
Ambriel (Angel of May)	Gemini (the Twins)	Hanael (Angel of December)	Capricorn (the Goat)
Muriel (Angel of June)	Cancer (the Crab)	Cambiel or Gabriel (Angel of January)	Aquarius (the Water-Carrier)
Verchiel (Angel of July)	Leo (the Lion)	Barchiel (Angel of February)	Pisces (the Fishes)
Hamaliel (Angel of August)	Virgo (the Virgin)		
Zuriel or Uriel (Angel of September)	Libra (the Scales)		

[*Rf. Trithemius, Of the Heavenly Intelligences*; cf. the 12 governors of the 12 signs of the zodiac in the astrological system of the Chaldeans: 1. Anu; 2. Bel; 3. Nuah; 4. Belit; 5. Sin; 6. Samas; 7. Bin; 8. Adar; 9. Marduk; 10. Nergal; 11. Istar; 12. Nebo. [*Rf. Lenormant, Chaldean Magic*, p. 119.]

THE ARCHANGELS AND ANGELS
OF THE SEVEN DAYS OF THE WEEK

Day	Archangel	Angel	Day	Archangel	Angel
MONDAY	Gabriel	Gabriel	FRIDAY	Haniel	Anael
TUESDAY	Khamael	Zamael	SATURDAY	Tzaphiel	Cassiel
WEDNESDAY	Michael	Raphael	SUNDAY	Raphael	Michael
THURSDAY	Tzaphiel	Sachiel			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Michaël	Gabriel	Camael	Raphaël	Sachiel	Anaël	Cassiel
						
 	 	 	 	 	 	 
name of the 4. th Heaven	name of the 1. st Heaven	name of the 5. th Heaven	name of the 2. nd Heaven	name of the 6. th Heaven	name of the 3. rd Heaven	No angels ruling above the 6. th Heaven
Machen.	Shamain.	Machon.	Raquie.	Zebul.	Sagun.	

A table showing the names of the angels governing the seven days of the week, along with their sigils, zodiacal signs, and the heavens ruled by these angels. From Barrett, *The Magus*.

[Rf. Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*, p. 143; Barrett, *The Magus*, facing p. 105; Mathers, *The Greater Key of Solomon*, Table of the Planetary Hours, p. 7.]

THE ANGELIC GOVERNORS OF THE SEVEN PLANETS

CHIEF OF THE PLANETS: Rahatiel

according to Al-Barceloni

1. Raphael, over the Sun
2. Aniel, over Venus
3. Michael, over Mercury
4. Gabriel, over the Moon
5. Kafziel, over Saturn
6. Zadkiel, over Jupiter
7. Sammael, over Mars

according to Barrett, *The Magus*

1. Raphael or Michael, over the Sun
2. Anael or Haniel, over Venus
3. Michael or Raphael, over Mercury
4. Gabriel, over the Moon
5. Zaphiel or Orifiel, over Saturn
6. Zadkiel or Zachariel, over Jupiter
7. Camael or Zamael, over Mars

Longfellow in *The Golden Legend* gives the following list: 1. Raphael, over the Sun; 2. Gabriel, over the Moon; 3. Anael, the "angel of love," over Venus; 4. Zobiachel, over Jupiter;

5. Michael, over Mercury; 6. Uriel, over Mars; 7. Orifel, over Saturn. In angelology, Zobiachel is a *hapax legomenon* (he appears for the first time in *The Golden Legend* and in no other source).

THE GOVERNING ANGELS OF THE FOUR SEASONS

SPRING (Talvi)

Governing Angel: Spugliguel (head of the sign of Spring); serving angels: Amatiel, Caracasa, Core, Commissoros

AUTUMN (Ardarcel)

Governing Angel: Torquaret (head of the sign of Autumn); serving angels: Tarquam, Guabarel

SUMMER (Casmara)

Governing Angel: Tubiel (head of the sign of Summer); serving angels: Gargatel, Gaviel, Tariel

WINTER (Farlas)

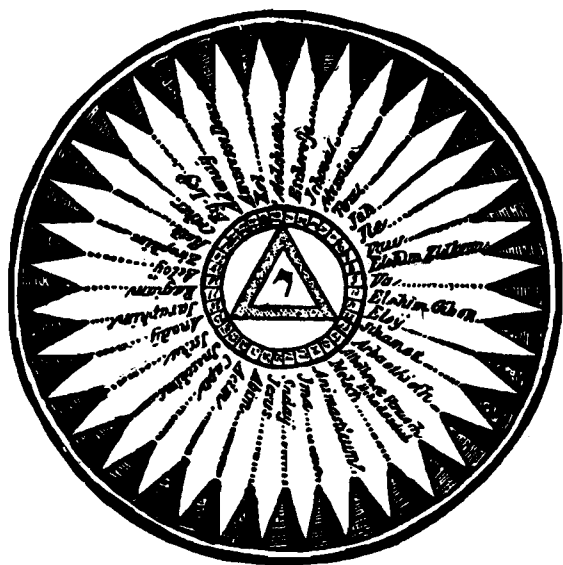
Governing Angel: Attarib (head of the sign of Winter); serving angels: Amabael, Cetarari (Ctarari)

[Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*, 108; Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*, 43-44.]

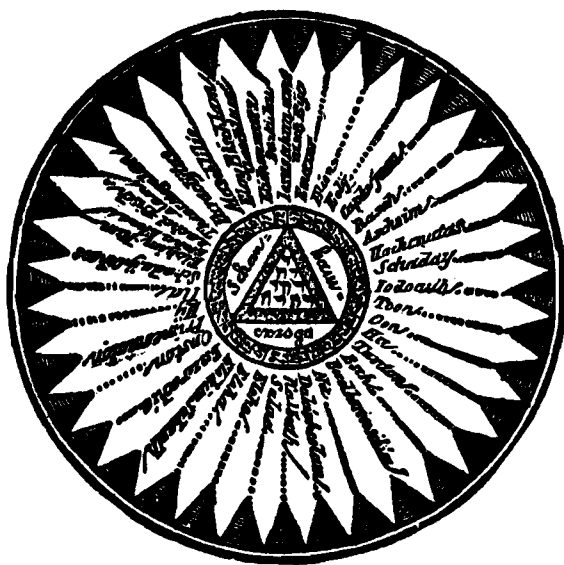
THE ANGELS OF THE HOURS OF THE DAY AND NIGHT

Hours Day.	Angels and Planets ruling SUNDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling MONDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling TUESDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling WEDNESDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling THURSDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling FRIDAY.	Angels and Planets ruling SATURDAY.
	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>	<i>Day.</i>
1	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel
2	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel
3	♂ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael
4	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael
5	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael
6	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael
7	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel
8	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel
9	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel
10	♂ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael
11	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael
12	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael
Hours Night	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>	<i>Night.</i>
1	♂ Sachael	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael
2	♂ Samiel	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel
3	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel
4	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel
5	♂ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael
6	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael
7	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael
8	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael
9	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel
10	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel
11	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael	♀ Raphael	♂ Sachiel
12	♂ Raphael	♂ Sachiel	♀ Anael	♂ Cassiel	☉ Michael	☿ Gabriel	♂ Samael

A table showing the hours of the day and night during which certain angels rule, along with the related zodiacal signs. From Barrett, *The Magus*.



Shemhamphorae (1). The 72 names of God in the Hebrew tongue. From *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.



Shemhamphorae (2). The 72 names of God in the Hebrew tongue. From *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*.

THE SEVENTY AMULET ANGELS INVOKED AT THE TIME OF CHILD BIRTH

Drawn from *The Book of the Angel Raziel*

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|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Michael | 19. Rachmiah | 37. Chachmal | 54. Tsirya |
| 2. Gabriel | 20. Katzhriel | 38. Machnia* | 55. Rigal |
| 3. Raphael | 21. Schachniel | 39. Kaniel | 56. Tsuria |
| 4. Nuriel | 22. Karkiel | 40. Griel or Grial | 57. Psisya |
| 5. Kidumiel | 23. Ahriel | 41. Tzartak | 58. Oriel |
| 6. Malkiel* | 24. Chaniel* | 42. Ofiel | 59. Samchia* |
| 7. Tzadkiel | 25. Lahal | 43. Rachmiel | 60. Machnia* |
| 8. Padiel | 26. Malchiel* | 44. Sensenya | 61. Kenunit |
| 9. Zumiel | 27. Shebniel | 45. Udrgazya | 62. Yeruel |
| 10. Chafriel | 28. Rachsiel | 46. Rsassiel | 63. Tatrusia |
| 11. Zuriel | 29. Rumiell | 47. Ramiel | 64. Chaniel* |
| 12. Ramuel | 30. Kadmiel | 48. Sniel | 65. Zechriel |
| 13. Yofiel | 31. Kadal | 49. Tahariel | 66. Variel |
| 14. Sturi (el?) | 32. Chachmiel | 50. Yezriel | 67. Diniel |
| 15. Gazriel | 33. Ramal | 51. Neria(h) | 68. Gdiel or Gediel |
| 16. Udriel | 34. Katchiel | 52. Samchia* (Samchiel) | 69. Briel |
| 17. Lahariel | 35. Aniel | 53. Ygal | 70. Ahaniel |
| 18. Chaskiel | 36. Azriel | | |

* Repeats.

THE NAMES OF METATRON

The 76 names of Metatron given below are taken from *Sefer ha-Heshek*, a Hebrew tract published in Lemberg in 1865 and edited by I. M. Epstein. It appears that Metatron had other names besides, amounting to over 100 (3 *Enoch*, 48, gives 105). These additional appellatives include such familiar ones as Lad, Naar, Sar ha-Olam, Little Iao, Shaddai, Yoel, Surya, Yofiel, Pignon, Sithriel, etc.

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|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Tsachtsehiyah | 16. Tishgash | 31. Eved | 55. Tsavtsiyah |
| 2. Zerahyahu | 17. Mitspad | 32. Galiel | 56. Tsaltseiyah |
| 3. Taftsefiyah | 18. Midrash | 33. Tsaftsefiel | 57. Kalkelmiyah |
| 4. Hayat | 19. Matsmetsiyah | 34. Hatspatsiel | 58. Hoveh Hayah |
| 5. Hashesiyah | 20. Patspetsiyah | 35. Sagmagigrin | 59. Yehovah Vehayah |
| 6. Duvdeviyah | 21. Zevtiyahu | 36. Yefefiah | 60. Tetrasiyah |
| 7. Yahsiyah | 22. Miton | 37. Estes | 61. Uvayah |
| 8. Palpeltiyah | 23. Adrigon | 38. Salkas | 62. Shosoriyah |
| 9. Havhaviyah | 24. Metatron | 39. Saktas | 63. Vehofnehu |
| 10. Haviyahu | 25. Ruah Piskonit | 40. Mivon | 64. Yeshayah |
| 11. Veruah | 26. Itatiyah | 41. Asasiah | 65. Malmeliyah |
| 12. Magirkon | 27. Tavitavel | 42. Avtsangosh | 66. Gale Raziya |
| 13. Itmon | 28. Hadranriel | 43. Margash | 67. Atatiyah |
| 14. Batsran | 29. Tatriel | 44. Atropatos | 68. Emekmiyahu |
| 15. Tishbash | 30. Ozah (Uzah) | 45. Tsaftsefiyah | 69. Tsaltselim |
| | | 46. Zerahiyah | 70. Tsavniyah |
| | | 47. Tamtemiyah | 71. Giatiyah |
| | | 48. Adadiyah | 72. Parshiyah |
| | | 49. Alaliyah | 73. Shaftiyah |
| | | 50. Tahsasiyah | 74. Hasmiyah |
| | | 51. Rasesiyah | 75. Sharshiyah |
| | | 52. Amisiyah | 76. Geviriyah |
| | | 53. Hakham | |
| | | 54. Bibiyah | |

THE GREAT ARCHONS

The Archons ("rulers") are identified or equated with the Aeons. Gershom Scholem's definition of an archon is simply "great angel." In rabbinic lore, the great Archon is Shamshiel or Shemu'el, "mediator between the prayers of Israel and the princes of the 7th heaven."

IN OTHER GNOSTIC SYSTEMS

Saklas (in Mani- cheanism, a chief demon)	Eloiein Katspiel Erathaol
Seth	Domiel
David	

IN THE OPHITIC (GNOSTIC) SYSTEM

Jaldabaoth	Astanphaios
Jao	Ailoaios
Sabaoth	Oraios
Adonaos	

IN THE PAPYRI GRAECAE MAGICAE

Uriel	Gabriel
Michael	Shamuil
Raphael	

[Rf. Danielou, *The Angels and Their Mission*; Gaynor, *Dictionary of Mysticism*; Doresse, *The Secret Books of the Egyptian Gnostics*; Scholem, *Major Trends in Jewish Mysticism*.]

THE CHIEF ANGEL PRINCES OF THE ALTITUDES

the Four Cardinal Points

CHIEFS OF THE 1ST ALTITUDE (or Chora)

Alimiel	{	carry in their hands a banner or flag with a red cross on it; carry a crown of rose flowers; speak with a low voice
Barachiel		
Gabriel		
Helison		
Lebes		

CHIEFS OF THE 3RD ALTITUDE (or Chora)

Eliphantiasai	{	form of little children or little women; dressed in green or silver color, with crown of bay leaves; leave a sweet perfume behind them
Elomina		
Gedobonai		
Gelomiros		
Taranava		

CHIEFS OF THE 2ND ALTITUDE (or Chora)

Aphiriza	{	form of young child dressed in satin; crown of red gilly flowers; face reddish
Armon		
Genon		
Geron		
Gereimon		

CHIEFS OF THE 4TH ALTITUDE (or Chora)

Barachiel*	{	form of little men or boys, dressed in black, mixed with a dark green; in their hands they hold a bird "which is naked"
Capitiel		
Deliel		
Gebiel		
Gediel		

* Barachiel appears to be a chief of both the 1st Altitude and the 4th Altitude. The Altitudes must be invoked according to their proper hour of the day and the month of the year; otherwise they cannot be summoned. [Rf. *The Almadel of Solomon*; Shah, *The Secret Lore of Magic*, 173ff.]

THE TWENTY-EIGHT ANGELS RULING
IN THE TWENTY-EIGHT MANSIONS OF THE MOON

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. Geniel | 8. Amnediel | 15. Atiel | 22. Geliel |
| 2. Enediel | 9. Barbiel | 16. Azeruel | 23. Requiell |
| 3. Anixiel | 10. Ardifiel | 17. Adriel | 24. Abrinael |
| 4. Azariel | 11. Neciel | 18. Egibiel | 25. Aziel |
| 5. Gabriel | 12. Abdizuel | 19. Amutiel | 26. Tagriel |
| 6. Dirachiel | 13. Jazeriel | 20. Kyriel | 27. Atheniel |
| 7. Scheliel | 14. Ergediel | 21. Bethnael | 28. Amnixiel |

[Rf. Barrett, *The Magus*, II, 57.]

THE ARCHANGELS OF THE HOLY SEFIROTH

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Methatron
(Metatron) | for Kether (Crown) | 6. Mikhael | for Tiphereth (Beauty) |
| 2. Ratziel (Raziel) | for Chokhmah (Wisdom) | 7. Haniel | for Netzach (Victory) |
| 3. Tzaphqiel | for Binah (Understanding) | 8. Raphael | for Hod (Splendor) |
| 4. Tzadqiel | for Chesed (Mercy) | 9. Gabriel | for Yesod (Foundation) |
| 5. Khamael | for Geburah (Strength) | 10. Methatron (or
the Shekinah) | for Malkuth (Kingdom) |

[Rf. Mathers, *The Kabbalah Unveiled*.]

THE UNHOLY SEFIROTH

Emanations from the Left Side of God

1. Thaumiel	The averse sefira to Kether. Cortex: Cathariel	6. Togarini	The averse sefira to Tiphereth. Cortices: Zomiel and Belphegor
2. Chaigidiel	The averse sefira to Chochma. Cortex: Oghiel or Ghogiel	7. Harab Serap	The averse sefira to Netzach. Cortices: Theumiel and Baal Chanan
3. Sathariel (Sheireil)	The averse sefira to Binah	8. Sammael	The averse sefira to Hod. Cortices: Theuniel and Adramelek
4. Gamchicoth (Gog Sheklah)	The averse sefira to Chesed. Cortex: Azariel	9. Gamaliel	The averse sefira to Jesod. Cortex: Ogiel
5. Golab	The averse sefira to Geburah. Cortex: Usiel	10. Lilith	The averse sefira to Malkuth

[Rf. Waite, *The Holy Kabbalah*.]

THE WATCHERS

Known also as the Grigori

According to *The Book of Jubilees*, the Watchers are the sons of God (Genesis 6) sent from heaven to instruct the children of men; they fell after they descended to earth and cohabited with the daughters of men—for which act they were condemned (so legend reports) and became fallen angels. But not all Watchers descended: those that remained are the holy Watchers, and they reside in the 5th Heaven. The evil Watchers dwell either in the 3rd Heaven or in Hell.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Armaros
Taught men the resolving of enchantments. 2. Araquel (Arakiel)
Taught men the signs of the earth. 3. Azazel
Taught men to make knives, swords, shields; to devise ornaments, coloring tinctures for the beautifying of women, etc. 4. Baraqijal (Baraqel)
Taught men astrology. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Ezequeel (Ezekeel)
Taught men the knowledge of clouds. 6. Gadreel
Introduced weapons of war to mortals. 7. Kokabel (Kawkabel)
Taught the science of the constellations. 8. Penemue
Instructed mankind in writing “and thereby many sinned from eternity to eternity and until this day. For man was not created for such a purpose.”—<i>Enoch I</i>, 7:8. Penemue also taught children the “bitter and sweet, and the secrets of wisdom.” 9. Sariel
Taught men the course of the moon. 10. Semjaza
Taught men enchantments, root-cuttings, etc. 11. Shamshiel
Taught men the signs of the sun. |
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THE SARIM

Chief Celestial Angel-Princes

1. Akatriel (Akrasiel)
Revealer of the divine mysteries and angel of proclamation; cf. Raziel.
2. Anafiel
Chief of the crown judgment angels of the Merkabah.
3. Azbuga(h)
One of the 8 great throne angels of judgment who clothes with the garment of righteousness those deemed worthy among the new arrivals in heaven.
4. Barakiel (Barkiel, Barbiel)
Ruler of the order of seraphim, governor of the month of February, and one of the 7 archangels.
5. Camael (Kemuel)
Chief of the order of powers; one of the holy sefiroth; personification of divine justice; among the 7 that stand in the presence of God.
6. Chayyiel
Chief of the holy hayyoth (cherubim).
7. Gabriel
Angel of annunciation, resurrection, mercy, and vengeance; ruling prince of the first heaven; chief of the angelic guards over paradise.
8. Galgaliel
Eponymous head of the order of galgalim (chariots of the Merkabah); chief angel of the wheel of the sun.
9. Haniel (Anael)
Chief of the orders of principalities and virtues; one of the 7 archangels; governor of December; reputed to have transported Enoch to heaven.
10. Iofiel (Yofiel, Zophiel)
Preceptor angel of Shem; a prince of the Torah (like Yefefiah); one of the 7 archangels; chief of the order of thrones.
11. The Irin
Twin angels who, together with the twin qaddisin, constitute the supreme judgment council of the heavenly court; among the 8 exalted hierarchs that enjoy a rank superior to that of Metatron.
12. Jehoel (Jael)
Mediator of the ineffable name; prince of the presence.
13. Metatron (orig. Enoch)
Chancellor of heaven; prince of the ministering angels; sustainer of mankind.
14. Michael
Chief angel of the Lord; deliverer of the faithful; tutelary prince of Israel; angel of repentance, etc.
15. Phanuel (Raguel)
Archangel of penance; prince of the presence; identified with Uriel and Ramiel.
16. The Qaddisin
Twin angels who, together with the twin irin, constitute the supreme judgment council of the heavenly court.
17. Radueriel (Vretil)
The recording angel; leader of the celestial choirs; creator of the lesser angels.
18. Raphael
Angel of healing, science, and knowledge; one of the princes of the presence; regent of the sun.
19. Raziel (Galizur)
Chief of the supreme mysteries; one of the archangelic governors of the Briatic world; preceptor angel of Adam, herald of deity, and reputed author of *The Book of the Angel Raziel*.
20. Rikbiel
Chief of the divine chariot; prince of the Merkabah angels.

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| <p>21. Sopheriel Mehayye and</p> <p>22. Sopheriel Memeth
Two of the supreme angels of the Merkabah (of which there are 8); keepers of the books of life and death.</p> <p>23. Soqed Hozi
Keeper of the divine balances; one of the 8 supreme angels of the Merkabah; appointed by God to the Sword.</p> <p>24. Sandalphon (originally Elijah)
Angel of power and glory; twin brother of Metatron.</p> <p>25. Shemuil
The great archon, mediator between the prayers of Israel and the princes of the 7th heaven.</p> | <p>26. Suriel
Benevolent angel of death; instructor of Moses; a prince of the presence.</p> <p>27. Tzadkiel
Angel of divine justice.</p> <p>28. Uriel
Archangel of salvation; regent of the sun; overseer of Tartarus.</p> <p>29. Yefefiah (Dina)
Angel of the Torah; instructed Moses in the mysteries of the cabala.</p> <p>30. Zagzagel
Angel of wisdom; chief guard of the 4th heaven; angel of the burning bush.</p> |
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THE ANGELS OF PUNISHMENT (MALAKE HABBALAH)

Over the seven divisions of hell

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| <p>1. Kushiell ("rigid one of God")</p> <p>2. Lahatiell ("flaming one of God")</p> <p>3. Shoftiell ("judge of God")</p> <p>4. Makatiell ("plague of God")</p> <p>5. Hutriell ("rod of God")</p> | <p>6. Pusiell or Puriell ("fire of God")</p> <p>7. Rogziell ("wrath of God")</p> <p>The angels of punishment are under the leadership of archangels who in turn are under the rulership of the angel (angels) of death, according to <i>The Testament of Solomon</i>.</p> |
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THE ARCHANGELS OF PUNISHMENT

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| <p>1. Kezef (angel of wrath and destruction)</p> <p>2. Af (angel of anger and the death of mortals)</p> <p>3. Hemah (angel over the death of domestic animals)</p> | <p>4. Mashhit (angel over the death of children)</p> <p>5. Meshabber (angel over the death of animals)</p> <p>[Rf. Jellinek, <i>Beth ha-Midrash</i>.]</p> |
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THE NAMES OF LILITH

The prophet Elijah, according to legend, encountering Lilith, forced her to reveal to him the names she used in her various disguises when she worked her evil among mortals. She confessed to 17 names, and they are recorded in M. Gaster, *Studies and Texts in Folklore*, p. 1025:

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| <p>1. Abeko</p> <p>2. Abito</p> <p>3. Amizo</p> <p>4. Batna</p> <p>5. Eilo</p> | <p>6. Ita</p> <p>7. Izorpo</p> <p>8. Kali</p> <p>9. Kea</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Continued</i></p> |
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10. Kokos	14. Patrota	9. Bituah*	19. Lilith*
11. Lilith	15. Podo	10. Gallu	20. Partashah*
12. Odam	16. Satrina	11. Gelou	21. Petrota*
13. Partasah	17. Talto	12. Gilou	22. Pods*

In J. E. Hanauer, *Folk-Lore of the Holy Land*, a list of other names of Lilith is given:

1. Abro*	5. Amiz*
2. Abyzu	6. Amizu*
3. Ailo	7. Ardad Lili
4. Alu	8. Avitu*

13. 'Ik*	23. Raphi*
14. 'Ils*	24. Satrina(h)*
15. Kalee*	25. Thiltho*
16. Kakash*	26. Zahriel
17. Kema*	27. Zefonith
18. Lamassu	

Those named followed by an asterisk (*) are from Hanauer's book. The others are from sundry sources.

THE FALLEN ANGELS

According to Revelation 12, the rebel host aggregated one-third of the angels in heaven. They fell for 9 days. Their number was estimated in the 15th century to have been 133,306,668 (the tabulation of Cardinal Bishop of Tusculum). *Enoch I* speaks of 200 apostates, but names only a score or so (allowing for variant spellings and duplications). The following are drawn from the *Enoch* listings, supplemented by lists from other sources in apocrypha, cabala, goetia, rabbinic, patristic, and secular writings.

1. Abbadona (once of the order of seraphim)
2. Adramelec
3. Agares (Agreas)
4. Amezyarak (Amiziras; also alternate for Semyaza)
5. Amy (once partly of the order of powers and partly of the order of angels)
6. Anmael (identified with Semyaza)
7. Arakiel (Araqiel)
8. Araziel
9. Ariel (once of the order of virtues)
10. Arioc(h)
11. Armaros (Abaros, Armers, Pharmaros)
12. Armen
13. Artaqifa (Arakiba)
14. Asbeel

15. Asmoday
16. Asmodeus (Sammael) (once of the order of seraphim)
17. Astaroth (once of the order of seraphim and of thrones)
18. Astoreth (Astarte)
19. Atarculph
20. Auza (Oza)
21. Azaradel
22. Azazel (once of the order of cherubim)
23. Azza
24. Azzael (Asael)
25. Balam (once of the order of dominations)
26. Baraqel (Barakel, Baraqijal)
27. Barbatos (once of the order of virtues)
28. Barbiel (once of the order of virtues)
29. Batarjal
30. Beelzebub (once of the order of cherubim)
31. Beliar (Belial) (once partly of the order of virtues and partly of the order of angels)
32. Busasejal
33. Byleth (Beleth) (once of the order of powers)
34. Balberith (once of the order of cherubim)
35. Caim (Caym) (once of the order of angels)
36. Carnivean (once of the order of powers)
37. Carreau (once of the order of powers)

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38. Dagon
39. Danjal
40. Ezekeel (Ezequeel)
41. Flauros (Hauras)
42. Gaap (once of the order of potentates)
43. Gadreel
44. Gressil (once of the order of thrones)
45. Hakael
46. Hananel (Ananel)
47. Harut (Persian)
48. Iblis (Eblis, Haris) (Mohammedan Satan)
49. Ielahiah (once of the order of virtues)
50. Iuvart (once of the order of angels)
51. Jeqon
52. Jetrel
53. Kasdeja
54. Kawkabel (Kokabel)
55. Lau(v)iah (once partly of the order of thrones and partly of the order of cherubim)
56. Leviathan (once of the order of seraphim)
57. Lucifer (often, but erroneously, identified as Satan)
58. Mammon
59. Marchosias (once of the order of dominations)
60. Marut (Persian)
61. Mephistopheles
62. Meresin
63. Moloc(h)
64. Mulciber
65. Murmur (once partly of the order of thrones and partly of the order of angels)
66. Nelchael (once of the order of thrones)
67. Nilaihah (once of the order of dominations)
68. Oeillet (once of the order of dominations)
69. Olivier (once of the order of archangels)
70. Ouzza (Usiel)
71. Paimon (Paymon) (once of the order of dominations)
72. Penemue
73. Procell (once of the order of powers)
74. Pursan (Curson) (once of the order of virtues)
75. Raum (Raym) (once of the order of thrones)
76. Rimmon
77. Rosier (once of the order of dominations)
78. Rumael (Ramiel or Remiel)
79. Sammael (Satan, Asmodeus)
80. Samsaweel
81. Saraknyal
82. Sariel
83. Satan
84. Sealiah (once of the order of virtues)
85. Semyaza (Shemhazai, Azazel) (once of the order of seraphim)
86. Senciner (once partly of the order of virtues and partly of the order of powers)
87. Shamshiel
88. Simapesiel
89. Sonneillon (once of the order of thrones)
90. Tabaet
91. Thammuz
92. Tumael
93. Turael
94. Turel
95. Urakabameel
96. Usiel (Uzziel) (once of the order of virtues)
97. Verrier (once of the order of principalities)
98. Verrine (once of the order of thrones)
99. Vual (Vvall) (once of the order of powers)
100. Yomyael
101. Zavebe

also

102. Belphegor (Baal-Peor) (once of the order of principalities)
103. Forcas (Foras)

THE YEZIDIC ARCHANGELS

Prayed to in Yezidic Devil Worship

1. Shams-ed-din ("sun of the faith")
2. Fakr-ed-din ("the poor one of the faith")
3. Nasr-ed-din ("help of faith")
4. Sij-ed-din ("power of mercy")
5. Sheikh Ism ("power of mercy")
6. Sheikh Bakra ("power of mercy")
7. Kadir-Rahman ("power of mercy")

The invocation to the Yezidic archangels runs as follows:

"SOLE ALMIGHTY CREATOR OF HEAVEN, I
INVOKE THEE THROUGH THE MEDIATION OF

[HERE, THE NAMES OF THE HOLY 7]. . . THOU
DIDST CREATE THE SINNER ADAM, JESUS AND
MARY [SIC]. . . THOU ART THE FOUNTAIN OF
JOY AND BEATITUDE. THOU HAST NO FACE;
THY STATURE, MOVEMENTS AND SUBSTANCE
ARE UNKNOWN . . . THOU HAST NEITHER
FEATHERS, WINGS, ARMS, VOICE, NOR
COLOR. . ."

As J. G. R. Forlong says in *Encyclopedia of Religions* (from which the above is taken): "This is not devil worship but a good Theist's prayer."

THE SEALS OF THE SEVEN ANGELS



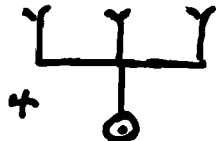
Seal of Aratron, the alchemist, who commanded seventeen millions six hundred and forty thousand spirits.



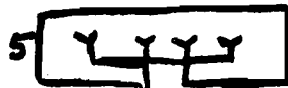
Seal of Bethor, who commanded twenty-nine thousand legions of spirits.



Seal of Phaleg, the War-lord.



Seal of Och, the alchemist, physician and magician.



Seal of Hagith, transmuter of metals, and commander of four thousand legions of spirits.



Seal of Ophiel, who commanded one hundred thousand legions of spirits.



Seal of Phul, lord of the powers of the Moon and supreme lord of the waters.

The seals of the seven angels who rule over the 196 provinces of heaven. From the collection of ancient magical books reproduced in the works of Cornelius Agrippa.

THE MAGIC CIRCLE



Magic circle and accessories for evocation in Solomonic magical rites. From Barrett, *The Magus*.

THE TEN RULING ANGELS AND THEIR ORDERS

INTELLIGENCE DES SPHÈRES	ORDRES DES BIENHEUREUX
Prince du Monde מטטרון: Mittatron	Séraphins Saints Animaux חיות הקדש Hakkodesch haioth
Courrier de Dieu רציאל: Ratsiel	Chérubins Roues אופנים: Ophanim
Contemplation de Dieu צפכאל Tsaphkiel	Trônes Puissants אראלים: Erelim
Justice de Dieu צדקאל Tsadkiel	Dominations Etincelants חשמלים Haschmalim
Punition de Dieu סמאל Sammael	Puissances Enflammés שרפים Seraphim
Qui est semblable à Dieu מיכאל, Michael	Vertus Rois מלכים Melachim
Grâce de Dieu חבניאל Hanniel	Principautés Dieux אלהים Eloim
Médecin de Dieu רפאל Raphael	Archanges Enfants de Dieu אלהים בני Elohim Bene
Homme de Dieu גבריאל Gabriel	Anges Base des enfants כרובים Kerubim
Messie מטטרון: Mittatron	Ames bienheureuses Hommes אשים Ischim

A table showing the ten ruling angels or intelligences, and, in descending scale, the ten celestial orders, according to Hebrew cabala. From Ambelain, *La Kabbale Pratique*.

SIGILS, CHARTS, PACTS

also Invocations, Conjurations, Spells, Charms, and Exorcisms

in which angels are summoned to do the bidding of the invocant, or in which diabolic powers are enjoined and/or exorcised usually in the name of God and His angels

CONJURATION OF THE SIXTH MYSTERY WITH THE SEAL OF THE POWER-ANGELS

I, NN, a servant of God, desire, call upon, and conjure thee, Spirit Alymon, by the most dreadful words: Sather, Ehomo, Geno, Poro, Joehovah, Elohim, Volnah, Denach, Alonlam, Ophiel, Zophiel, Sophiel, Habriel, Eloha, Alesimus, Dileth, Melohim, and by the holiest words through which thou canst be conquered, that thou appear before me in a mild, beautiful, human form, and fulfil what I command thee, so surely as God will come to judge the living and the dead. Fiat, Fiat, Fiat.



The Seal of the Power Angels.

[Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 11.]

CONJURATION OF THE GOOD SPIRITS

O you glorious and benevolent angels, Urzla, Zlar, Larzod, Arzal, who are the four angels of the East, I invoke you, adjure and call you forth to visible apparition in and through the great prevalent and divine name of the Most Holy God Erzla, and by the ineffable and efficacious virtues and power thereof, whereby you are governed and called forth, it being therefore absolutely necessary, pre-ordained, appointed and decreed. Now therefore I do most earnestly intreat and powerfully adjure you, O you benign angels Urzla, Zlar, Larzod, Arzal, in this potent name of your God Erzla to move and appear visibly, and

show yourself to me in this crystal stone (or mirror) here before me.

And in and through the same, to transmit your ray to my sight and your voice to my ears that I may audibly hear you and plainly see you and include me in your mysteries wherefore I do most earnestly adjure you, O benevolent and amicable angels, Azla, in the most excellent name of your God, Erzla, and I as a servant of the highest do efficaciously invoke you to appear now perfectly visible to me, O you servants of mercy, come and show yourselves firmly unto me and let me partake of the secret wisdom of your creator. Amen.

[Rf. Gollancz, *Clavicula Salomonis*.]

A DEATH INCANTATION

I call thee, Evil Spirit, Cruel Spirit, Merciless Spirit; I call thee, who sittest in the cemetery and takest away healing from man. Go and place a knot in [N——']s head, in his eyes, in his mouth, in his tongue, in his windpipe, and put poisonous water in his belly. If you do not go

and put water in his belly, I shall send against you the evil angels Puziel, Guziel, Psdiel, Prsiel. I call thee and those six knots that you go quickly to [N], and put poisonous water in his belly, and kill [N] because I wish it. Amen, Amen. Selah.

[Rf. M. Gaster, *The Sword of Moses*.]

CONJURATION OF THE SWORD

Te Gladi, Vos Gladias, trea Nomine Sancto, Albrot, Abracadabra, Jehova elico. Estote meum castellumque praesidium contra omnium hostes, conspicuusque nonconspiciuus, in quisque magicum opum. Nomeno Sancto Saday, qui est in imperium magnum, et his alio nomine: Cados, Cados, Cados, Adonai, Elohi, Zena, Oth, Ochi-manuel, primoque ultimo, Sapientia, Via, Vita, Virto, Principio, Oso, Oratie, Splendoro, Luce, Sol, Fono, Gloria, Mono, Porta, Vite, Lape, Scipio, Sacredo, Pravo, Messiah, Gladi in omnium meum negotia regnas et in illos res quem me resistunt, vincite. Amen.

The English translation, supposedly less effective than the Latin original, follows:

I conjure you, O Sword of Swords, by three Holy Names [given above]. Be my fortress and defence against all enemies, visible and invisible, in every magical work. By the Holy Name Saday, which is great in power, and by these other Names [given above], the First and the Last, Wisdom, Way, Life, Virtue, Chief, Mouth, Speech, Splendor, Light, Sun, Fountain, Glory, Mountain, Gate, Vine, Stone, Staff, Priest, Immortal Messiah: Sword, do you rule in all my affairs and prevail in those things which oppose me. Amen.

[Rf. *Grimorium Verum*.]

INVOCATION OF THE MYSTERY OF THE THIRD SEAL

I, NN, servant of God, desire, and call upon thee, and conjure thee, Tehor, by all the Holy Angels and Arch Angels, by the holy Michael, the holy Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Thronus, Dominations, Principalities, Virtues, Cherubim and Seraphim, and with unceasing voice I cry, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of Sabaoth,

and by the most terrible words: Soab, Sother, Emmanuel, Hdon, Amathon, Mathay, Adonai, Eel, Eli, Eloy, Zoag, Dios, Anath, Tafa, Uabo, Tetragrammaton, Aglay, Josua, Jonas, Calpie, Calphas. Appear before me, NN, in a mild and human form, and do what I desire.

[Rf. *The Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses*, p. 9.]

INVOCATION FOR EXCITING LOVE IN THE HEART OF THE PERSON
WHO IS THE OBJECT OF OUR DESIRE
with the help of the 137th Psalm

Pour oil from a white lily into a crystal goblet, recite the 137th Psalm over the cup and conclude by pronouncing the name of the angel *Anael*, the planetary spirit of Venus,* and the name of the person you love. Next write the name of the angel on a piece of cypress which you will dip in oil and tie the piece of cypress to your right

arm. Then wait for a propitious moment to touch the right hand of the person with whom you are in love, and love will be awakened in his or her heart. The operation will be more powerful in effect if you perform it at dawn on the Friday following the new moon.

* Also spelt Hamiel, Haniel, Onoel—Ed.

[Rf. Christian, *History and Practice of Magic*, II, 439–440.]

SPELL FOR THE MANUFACTURE
AND USE OF A MAGIC CARPET

Let a virgin girl weave a carpet of white and new wool, in the hour of the sun, when the moon is full, and when the sun is in Capricorn. Go into the country, to an uninhabited place, where you will suffer no disturbances; spread your carpet facing East and West, and, having made a circle to enclose it, hold your wand in the air, and call upon Michael toward the East, Raphael to the North, Gabriel to the West, and Miniel to the South. Then turn to the East and invoke the name of Agla. Take in your left hand the point of the carpet that is to the East, then turn toward the North and do the same; repeating it similarly for the South and the West, until you have raised all four corners. Then turning again toward the East, say, reverently:

Agla, Agla, Agla, Agla: O God Almighty, who art the life of the Universe, and who ruleth over the four divisions of its vast form by the strength and virtue of the four letters of Thy Holy Name: Tetragrammaton Yod He Vau He. Bless in Thy name this covering which I hold, as thou hast blessed the mantle of Elijah in the hands of Elisha; so that, being covered by Thy wings, nothing may be able,

to injure me, even as it is said “He shall hide thee under his wings, and beneath His feathers shall thou trust.”

Then, fold it up, saying Recabustira, Cabustira, Bustira, Tira, Ra, A; and keep it carefully until you next need it. Choose a night of full or new moon. Go to a place where you will suffer no interruption, having written the following characters on a strip of azure blue virgin parchment with the feather of a dove:

RAZIEL רָזִיֵּל

Then prostrate yourself, after casting some incense on the fire; holding the wand in your left hand, the parchment in your right, say:

Vegale, Hamicata, Umsa, Terata, Yeh, Dah, Ma, Baxasoxa, Un, Horah, Himesere O God, Thou Vast One, send unto me the inspiration of Thy light, and make me to discover the secret thing which I ask of Thee, whatsoever such and such a thing may be. Make me to search it out, by the aid of Thy Holy Ministers Raziel, Tzaphniel, Matmoniel, Io.

[Rf. Shah, *Occultism, Its Theory and Practice*.]

A SPELL TO GUARANTEE POSSESSION OF THE LOVED ONE

On a Friday, at the hour of Venus and before the sun rises, take from near a river or a pond a live frog which you will hang by its hind legs over a blazing fire. When it is burnt black, reduce it to a very fine powder in a stone mortar and wrap it in virgin parchment. This sachet must lie for three days under an altar where Mass is said. After the three days you must uncover it at the hour of Venus. The way to use this powder is to sprinkle it on flowers. Every girl or woman who smells them will then love you.

[Rf. Christian, *History and Practice of Magic* II, 412.]

Another Method

Stick on the head of a girl's or woman's bed, as near as possible to the place where her head rests, a piece of virgin parchment on which have already been written the names of Michael, Gabriel, Raphael. Invoke these three angels to inspire (here pronounce the name of the beloved) with a love for you equal to your own. That person will not be able to sleep without first thinking of you, and very soon love will dawn in her heart.

CONJURATION FOR THE EVOCATION OF A SPIRIT ARMED WITH POWER FROM THE SUPREME MAJESTY

I do invoke, conjure, and command thee, O thou Spirit N (here interpolate the name of the Spirit desired to be invoked), to appear and to show thyself visibly unto me before this Circle in fair and comely shape, without any deformity or tortuosity; by the name and in the name of Iah and Vau, which Adam heard and spoke; and by the name of God, Agla, which Lot heard and was saved with his family; and by the name Ioth, which Jacob heard from the angel wrestling with him, and was delivered from the hand of Esau his brother; and by the name Anaphaxeton which Aaron heard and spake and was made wise; and by the name Zabaoth, which Moses named and all the rivers were turned into blood; and by the name Asher Ehyeh Oriston, which Moses named, and all the rivers brought forth frogs, and they ascended into the houses, destroying all things; and by the name Elion, which Moses named, and there was great hail such as had not been since

the beginning of the world; and by the name Adonai, which Moses named, and there came up locusts, which appeared upon the whole land, and devoured all which the hail had left; and by the name Schema Amathia which Ioshua called upon, and the sun stayed his course; and by the name Alpha and Omega, which Daniel named and destroyed Bel and slew the Dragon; and in the name Emmanuel, which the three children, Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, sang in the midst of the fiery furnace, and were delivered. . . . I do exorcise and command thee, by the four beasts before the throne, having eyes before and behind; by the holy angels of God. . . . I do potently exorcise thee that thou appearest here to fulfill my will in all things which seem good unto me. Wherefore, come thou, visibly, peaceably, and affably, now, without delay, to manifest that which I desire, speaking with a clear and perfect voice, intelligibly, and to mine understanding.

[Rf. Waite, *The Lemaegeton*.]

THE SERPENT CONJURATION

I, N, do conjure thee, I Spirit N, by the living God, by the holy and all-ruling God who created from nothingness the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are therein, in virtue of the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist, and in the name of Jesus Christ, and by the power of this same Almighty Son of God who for us and for our redemption was crucified, suffered death, and was buried; who rose again on the third day and is now seated on the right hand of the Creator of the whole world, from whence he will come to judge the living and the dead; as also by the precious love of the Holy Spirit, perfect Trinity. I conjure thee within the circle, accursed one, by thy judgment, who didst dare to tempt God: I exorcise thee, Serpent, and I command thee to appear forthwith under a beautiful and well-

favoured human form of soul and body, and to fulfil my behests without any deceit whatsoever, as also without mental reservation of any kind, by the great Names of the God of gods and Lord of lords, Adonay, Tetragrammaton, Jehova, Otheos [here, a dozen more divine names]. I conjure thee, Evil and Accursed Serpent, N, to appear at my will and pleasure, in this place, before this circle, without noise, deformity, or murmuring. I exorcise thee by the ineffable names of God, to wit, Gog and Magog, which I am unworthy to pronounce; Come hither, Come hither, Come hither. Accomplish my will and desire, without wile or falsehood. Otherwise St. Michael, the invisible Archangel, shall presently blast thee in the utmost depths of hell. Come, then, N, to do my will.

[Rf. *Grimoire of Honorius*.]

PRAYER

for binding and commanding angels "throwne downe from heaven"

I require thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that thou give thy virtue and power over all thine angels which were throwne downe from heaven to deceive mankind, to draw them to me, to tie and bind them, and also to loose them, to command them to do all they can, and that by no means they contemne my voice or the words of my mouth. But that they obeie me and my saiengs, and feare me. I beseech thee by thine humanitie, mercie and grace, and I require thee, Adonay, Amay, Horta, Vegedora, Mitai, Hel, Suranat, Ysion, Ysesy, and by all thy holie names, and by all thine holie he-saints and she-saints, by all thine angels and arch-angels, powers, denominations and vertues, and

by that name that Salomon did bind the divils, and shut them up, Elrach, Ebanher, Agle, Goth, Ioth, Othie, Venoch, Nabrat, and by all these holie names which are written in this booke, and by the vertues of them all, that thou enable me to congregate all thy spirits throwne down from heaven, that they may give me a true answer of all my demands, and that they satisfy all my requests, without the hurt of my bodie or soule, or any thing that is mine, through Our Lord Jesus Christ thy sonne, which liveth and reigneth with thee in the unitie of the Holie-Ghost, one God, world without end.

[Rf. Reginald Scot, *Discoverie of Witchcraft*.]

EXORCISM

where a blood pact has been entered into with the devil—by a sinner who has since repented

I exorcise thee, O impious Satan. In vain dost thou boast of this deed. I command thee to restore it as a proof before the whole world that when God receiveth a sinner, thou hast no longer any rule

over his soul. I abjure thee, by him who expelled thee from thy stronghold, bereft thee of the arms which thou didst trust in, and distributed thy spoils. Return therefore this deed whereby this

creature of God foolishly bound himself to thy service; return it, I say, in His name by whom thou art overcome. When thy power has come to nothing, presume not longer to retain this use-

less document. By penitence already hath this creature of God restored himself to his true Lord, spurning thy yoke, hoping in the Divine mercy for defence against thine assaults.*

* The editor, Waite, remarks: "Whether this process was supposed to insure the return of the incriminating document or was held to cancel it does not appear and matters little, for what with the subtleties of the sorcerer and the assistance of the Church in the revocation of such acts and deeds, there was little chance for Infernus [i.e., the devil]." And Waite quotes this from De Plancy, *Dictionnaire Infernal*: "Spit three times on the ground and he (the devil) will have no power over you." In which case, adds Waite, "Black Magic, with all its grim theatricals, is the art of exploiting lost angels with impunity."

[Rf. A. E. Waite, *The Book of Black Magic and of Pacts*.]

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INTRODUCTION

In the study of the Doctrine of Angels we shall divide the subject into three divisions, namely:

- I. Angelology - Good and bad angels
- II. Satanology - The fallen "Chorub"
- III. Demonology - Satan's vast earthly kingdom
- IV. Psychology of temptations

In this introduction to the study, it might be well to inquire into the NATURE of angels in general. There is a popular disbelief in the very existence of angels, including Satan himself. It is counted as very modern to deny the reality of anything above or beyond the realm of human experience. Here, as in every other realm of revelation, the question revolves around a belief in the Bible as the infallible Revelation of God; the Bible is emphatic in its revelation of a supernatural order of beings in vast number, some righteous, doing the bidding of the Father, and others evil and malignant.

Materialistic philosophy has advanced many objections to the belief in angels. Some are:

1. Probably the most popular of these philosophies is that angels are beyond our experience. Empirical philosophy has always contended that there is no such thing as anything existing out of own experience. (How could we know it exists except that we have experienced it)? In this modern day of scientific discovery we find that there were a lot of things actually existing which before were unknown. Was there no such thing as electricity until man discovered its laws? What of all the electronic inventions of radio, radar, atoms, etc.? Our experience may be the yardstick of our own knowledge of things, but not of their reality. That would make man omniscient, the idea that a higher being could not know of a lot of things actually existing without the lower being knowing of it. A pigmy in Africa has never experienced ice, but we know there is such a thing as ice.

2. It is said that the teaching of angels is opposed to the modern scientific view of the world as a system of definite forces and laws. It would seem to me that the same argument above could be applied here. It would appear that man is claiming a well-nigh omniscient knowledge of all that could possibly be. It would help if he would but admit that there might be some things that he doesn't know. The very rapidity of scientific discovery should make him humble in the knowledge that he is but scratching the surface of the great-unknown realm behind the frontier doors of knowledge. I cannot see how any force, law, or modern discovery excludes the possibility of angels. To me they demand some supernatural, personal directors or agents. We shall have occasion to refer to some objections to fallen angels later under that heading. For the basis of faith, the biblical revelation is sufficient, and gives added comfort to the Christian when it speaks of them as "ministering spirits unto those who shall be heirs of salvation" (Hebrews 1:14).

It is certainly a possibility that the ascending scale of created intelligence does not reach its topmost point in man. From the smallest, simplest forms of life there is a gradual ascent of millions of species. This reaches its peak in man, the first rational creature of creation; then there is a gap between man and God. We have also the:

1. Purely physical things such as stones and other inanimate objects
2. The beings partly physical and partly spiritual - man. He is the only creation within observation possessing a soul.
3. There must be beings wholly spiritual - angels. It is rational to believe the vast gap between God and man, who is made in the image of God, is peopled by an ascending scale of purely spiritual beings that also have an ascending scale of intelligence and moral faculties.

When we turn to the Scriptures, we find the certainty of this conception. It declares emphatically that, "man was made a little lower than angels" (Hebrews 2:1).

The fact of the existence of angels is also abundantly attested in the Scriptures.

1. Old Testament - Psalm 68:17, 104:4; Daniel 8:15-17 - mentioned 108 times.
2. New Testament - Matthew 18:10 Mark 13:32, 8:38, etc. - mentioned 165 times.

We shall see how much Scriptures attest to the existence of angels when we consider a detailed teaching from the many references used in this doctrine.

I. Good angels

Under this topic we shall first consider the nature of angels in general.

A. The nature of angels

1. The word angel (aggelos - Greek: malak - Hebrew) just means "a divine messenger" in the Greek, and may refer to:
 - a. The Lord Jesus, (Genesis 22:11, Exodus 3:2-6, Malachi 3:1) as the Angel of the Lord of the Old Testament. In Malachi 3:1 "Jesus is called `Angel of the Covenant'." A.V. - "Messenger". Here both John the Baptist and Christ are called aggelos - "messenger."
 - b. Or to man. (Luke 8:24, 9:52; II Corinthians 12:7; Malachi 3:1, James 2:25). It is used in Revelation 1:20-21, etc. for the guiding messenger or pastor of the local assembly.
 - c. Also used of the Spirit angelic family (over 270 times).
2. Origin: Being not infinite (for there can be but one infinite God), they must have a definite beginning or creation. Angels, therefore, are created beings (Psalm 148:2, Colossians 1:16) from a point of time before man. The ancients used to argue the point of time, with relation to creation; in these things there can be no certainty,

except it was before man, intimated in Hebrews 2:7 when man is said to be "made a little lower than the angels. Intimating that they were already in existence, how could man be said to have been made a little lower than something not yet or not in existence? This line of thought shows angels to be distinct from, as well as antecedent to, man.

Angels are not glorified spirits of man, as some have thought. Hebrews 12:22-23 "The innumerable host" of angels is differentiated from the "spirits of just men made perfect." Hebrews 2:16 also shows the incarnation of Christ as taking not "the nature of angels but the seed of Abraham".

3. Their nature:

- a. They are spirit beings, i.e., immaterial and incorporeal beings. The Scriptures never attribute bodies of any kind to angels, but constantly affirm that they are spirits. In Hebrews 1:14 they are called "spirits." You could not call man with his tri-part being "spirits." In Ephesians 6:12, flesh and blood is denied of them; there is never a mention of angels, as possessing souls, as of men, Revelation 18:13. For not having bodies they need no souls as the medium between spirit and body. Without bodies, they can know nothing of growth, age, death, or decay. Luke 20:36 - "Neither can they die anymore, for they are equal to angels."

Although in the Old Testament God did give the angels power to manifest themselves in human form, it was not essentially theirs but a manifestation as was those Christophanies of the Christ, which did not constitute an incarnation, but merely manifestation called angelophany.

- b. They are mighty in power: Psalm 103:20; II Peter 2:11.
- c. They are intelligent, personal, voluntary agents. II Samuel 14:20, "wise according to the wisdom of angels." Matthew 24:31, personal actions are ascribed throughout the Bible to angels. The constant representation as personal beings in the Scriptures cannot be explained as the personification of abstract good and evil, in accommodation to Jewish superstition, without wresting many narrative passages from their plain meaning or charging the Son of God Himself, with either ignorance or fraud. This teaching of the Bible that angels are personal refutes the view that angels are only emanations of deity or the rationalistic denial of personal spirits either good or bad.
- d. They are sexless. They neither marry nor are given in marriage. Matthew 22:30, Luke 20:36 and Mark 12:25. This portion clearly teaches that there are no sexual distinctions among angels, or marriage relationships. The angels are a company, not a race. We are called "Sons of men" but angels are "sons of God," never "Sons of angels." They have no federal headship or descent from common stock; each was created separately and apostatized separately. They that attain that life in glory shall be as the angels, no more family relationships, but a distinct individual union with Christ in vital life forever (More in classroom discussion).

B. The state of angels

It is the plain inference from the Scriptures that all the angels must have been created holy and then put on probation, from which some fell, while others maintained their integrity and were confirmed in holiness. God in His creative works must have made all personal beings with the stamp of His own righteousness. Also from the plain teachings of the fall of some which kept not their first estate, they must have been righteous to have had a fall. Furthermore, the term "elect angels" in I Timothy 5:21 signifies a probation, or testing period. This also is proved from the fact of the fall of some and the obedience of others. Furthermore, it is to be intimated that their probation is finished, and they were not kept always on trial, but are now confirmed in holiness ("those which sinned not"). They are called "holy angels" in Mark 8:38. We read of no more testing, or even of temptation, but only of perfect obedience.

This thought is further carried out by such statements as in the Lord's Prayer, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10. See also II Corinthians 11:14, where Satan is able to fool people into believing that he is an "angel of light" or like unto the unfallen angels. The good and holy angels then constitute a vast body of spiritual, powerful agents of God whose rule of existence is perfect unswerving obedience to the will of God. They kept their first estate.

C. The employment of the good angels

From the many representations of the activities of angels in the Bible, it is very evident that they are very interested in man, and this earthly sphere of activity. Although the saints shall judge angels (I Corinthians 6:3), in this present state they have very great interest in the saints, in protection, guidance, and even the evil men in judgment. Breaking down their employment we find:

1. Angels are ministering spirits unto the heirs of salvation. Hebrews 1:13-14 - R.V. "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to do service for the sake of them that shall inherit salvation." They strengthened Elijah under the Juniper tree, I Kings 19:5-8; they touched him and fed him. They shut the mouths of lions for Daniel (Daniel 6:22). Two times angels strengthened Christ - at the temptation (Matthew 4:11) and at the Gethsemane trial (Luke 22:43). Christ is the type of the believer. This is the care of angels for physical needs.

- a. Guidance: Psalm 91:11-12. See the guidance of Joseph by angels in a dream. Matthew 1:20, 24:2, 13:19.
- b. Protection: II Kings 6:15-17; Matthew 26:53. Twice an angel led Peter out of prison - Acts 5:19; Acts 12:3-11. Angels took Old Testament saints to a place of blessedness of death. Luke 16:22 - They shall gather God's elect Israel

together in the last days - Matthew 24:31. The truth of a Guardian Angel is taught in Scriptures - Matthew 18:10; Psalm 34:7.

2. Their spiritual exercise is the adoration and worship of God. As a congregation, (Hebrews 12:22) they do as the earthly congregation - worship God. Psalm 29:1-2: "they ascribe unto Jehovah glory and strength; among the higher orders some have, it would seem, only the function of worship such as the Seraphim of Isa. 6:2-3; and the Living ZOA - Living ones of Revelation. (4:8-10; 5:8-12)
3. They gave the law to Israel (Hebrews 2:2; Galatians 3:19; Acts 7:53). Angels were much in evidence in Israel's history; and maybe someday we shall find out that they were very much in evidence in the history of most, if not all, nations. Michael, the archangel, is called "Your Prince" and "The prince that stands for thy people" of Israel in Daniel 10:21; 12:1. This denotes a particular assignment of Michael to Israel.
4. As executioners of God's wrath, and punishing the wicked (Matthew 13:24-30, 39-42, 47-50). In II Kings 19:35, one slew all the firstborn of Egypt. One angel destroyed 70,000 Jews - II Samuel 24:15-16. In Christ's return in judgment, He shall be accompanied by all His holy angels (Revelation 19:11; Psalm 104:4). The holy angels are very much interested in the plan of redemption. They desired to look into prophetic proclamation (I Peter 1:12). They sang at the birth day of Christ; strengthened Him at His temptation, and Gethsemane; 12 legions stood by at His crucifixion; they were at His tomb, at His resurrection, and ascension, rejoice at one sinner's salvation, and shout when we go home at the rapture (I Thessalonians 4:16).
5. Angels are special messengers (as *aggelos* means) of God to man both to the saved and to the lost. Daniel 10: 2-8; Luke 15:10; (Fourteen times to John in Revelation 1:1-2.

D. Number and organization

1. The Scriptures represent the angels as constituting a vast number (Deuteronomy 3:3:2). Primarily Daniel 7:10, "Thousands of thousands ministered unto Him and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him" (around 200 million.) The Greek expression, as used in Revelation. 5:11, "Chiliads of chiliads" - "myriads of myriads," is expressive of their number translated "thousands of thousands," signifying a number beyond human comprehension. Hebrews 12:22 signifies that they are innumerable, R.V. "But ye are come unto Mt. Zion and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable host of angels."
2. Organization: The angels have different orders and ranks. No doubt this organization is of vaster proportions than we can possibly imagine yet there are many scriptural intimations. The general Scripture references are: Colossians 1:16, Ephesians 1:20-21, 3:10, 6:12, I Peter 3:22. The angels are called "hosts of heaven" Matthew 26:53, signifying organization. In Revelation 19:14 we read of "the armies of heaven" coming with Christ in His revelation. I Kings 22:19 speaks of "Jehovah sitting on His throne and all the hosts of heaven standing by Him on His right hand and on His left hand."

From the study of Satan and his organization we can see his imitation of God's heavenly organization. Satan is the great "aper" of God. He seems to have a "hellish" parody of the heavenly kingdom" (Trench) with principalities, powers, the rulers of darkness, princes and wicked spirits (Romans 8:38; Colossians 2:15,

Ephesians 6: 12, Daniel 10:13). Someday when Satan shall transfer his kingdom visibly to this world you see more of his organization in the Beast or anti-Christ of Revelation 13 who receives his throne (not seat) from the Dragon, or Satan. There is a kingdom of darkness and a kingdom of God, with heavenly spirit creatures holding different ranks, and so is Satan's kingdom also.

3. As to the rank of angels, there is no clear order given of the hierarchy of heaven. It would seem that they all have names though only two are given. The Jews name seven, but the Bible only two. Gabriel seems to be the angel prophet, and from Daniel, the interpreter of the Word and revealer or messenger of God's special revelations, as to Daniel, Zechariah, and Mary. All of these were prophetic announcements.

He seems to have inferior rank to many others, and was withstood 21 days by an evil spirit called a "prince of Persia" until he overcame with the aid of Michael the other named angel of God. In this portion, Daniel 10:13, [Michael] is called "one of the chief princes." He is also the only one specifically called "archangel" (Jude 9); also "great prince" (Daniel 12:1). He is the great angel warrior. He shall stand for God's people Israel in the last days of this age (Daniel 12:1-2). He shall war with Satan and his angels to cast them from their heavenly position to earth for the closing scenes of this age. (Revelation 12:7-17). (NOTE: It would also seem that Satan in his original creation was even higher than Michael, maybe the highest of created beings, for Jude 9 speaks of him having to invoke the special usage of the name of the Lord to rebuke the devil when contending over the body of Moses.)

4. About the cherubim and seraphim and the living creatures of Revelation there is much contention. Strong seems to go along with the spiritualizers or symbolizers of the Bible in ascribing unto them mere symbolic form. "The most probable (which is not always the most accurate in spiritual things) interpretation is that which regards them not as actual beings of higher rank than man, but as symbolic appearances, intended to represent redeemed humanity" (p. 449 Vol. 2). Others have interpreted them as symbolic symbols of the divine attributes of God (Smith's Bible Dictionary under "cherub"). Under the heading of his interpretation, Strong gives these points:

1. The Cherubim are not personal beings, but artificial, temporary symbolic figures.
2. Symbols of human nature. (How can this be reconciled with the picture of Isaiah 6?)
3. Symbols not of present human nature, but of its original perfections.
4. Symbols of human nature sanctified as a habitation of God.

He makes the cherubim of Genesis 3 a symbol of justice, but where is the authority for this kind of symbolizing? It seems so far-fetched a theory of accounting for something beyond one's own ability to grasp. Just because these heavenly creatures constitute an order too far above our kin for classification, is no authority for making them symbols of something we can't classify. It would seem that if symbolizing were in order, Smith's Bible Dictionary comes closer than Strong. It is more conceivable that they would symbolize divine attributes more than mere man.

When one reads the few accounts of these awesome creatures in the Scriptures, of their position around the throne of God, their cries of worship, their covering wings over the habitation of God, it stretches one's imagination a lot to think of them as mere symbols of man. The book of Revelation attempts no naming of them, or description except graphic designation, "living ones" or living creatures. The term "beasts" in Revelation 4-5 in the Authorized Version is not true to the original meaning of the word "Zoan." For the word is not therion, as in Revelation 13 of the beast out of the sea; that word is rightly translated "beast," for the word means wild, uncontrollable, ferocious beasts. The Greek word "Zoan" is the verb "to be" of designated only existence, to live, hence they are called living ones, or just living creatures. This could not be in a clearer language. It denotes that they are personal, living, existing, creatures, howbeit beyond our own realm of existence. HOW THEN CAN THEY BE MERE IMPERSONAL SYMBOLS OF A REAL EXISTENCE? It is hard to connect these heavenly spiritual living creatures, of high order, as keepers of the throne of God, as day and night worshippers with man either fallen or redeemed. Where is the connection? Where is the symbolization?

From the Scriptural presentations, from a close consideration of every portion, it is not hard to see that the Seraphim of Isaiah 6 (the only place in the Bible where seraphim are mentioned) and the cherubim of Ezekiel 1, and the living creatures of Revelation 4 & 5 are identical. Their cries of worship, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" are identical, and they are always associated with the throne of God. They are keepers of the Throne of God. They are living worshippers around the Throne, but always associated with the Throne of God. Carvings of them hovered over the Ark of the Covenant in the wilderness in the most Holy Place (Exodus 37:6-9. They adorned the Holy of Holies of Solomon's Temple, I Kings 6:23-29; their position around the Throne in Isaiah 6, their association with the Throne in Ezekiel 1, also 11:22-25; and Revelation 4 & 5. A number of times the Scriptures speak of God as "He that dwelleth between the cherubim," as I Samuel 4:4, II Kings 19:15; Isaiah 37:16, Exodus 25:22 - "I will meet thee between the two cherubim." This symbolized the pillar of fire and cloud of smoke, and Shekinah Glory.

There is one exception, which immediately comes to mind which will be quoted, but upon closer study it will prove not an exception but the same condition. It is Genesis 3:24, the cherubim who were to keep the way of the tree of life, with a flaming sword at the gate of the Garden of Eden. Why a cherubim when any ordinary angel would have been sufficient? One angel killed 185,000 in one night, could not one have done the simple job of excluding the guilty pair from the Garden? There must have been another reason for the usage of such an august creature. I think you find the reason in the above description of the work of the cherubim, as keepers of the Throne of God. The East Gate was the meeting place now between God and guilty man, no longer face to face, but through the sacrifice. Genesis 4:3 in the original implies a place and a time of worship, appointed of God, therefore the presence of the cherubim, as over the mercy seat on the Ark of the Covenant in the wilderness.

E. The Abode of Angels

From many Scriptures it is plainly taught that Heaven is the home of angels. They are called "Angels of Heaven." Matthew 22:30; Ephesians 3:10; Luke 2:13-15 (i.e. the third heaven). However, for the work of redemption it would seem that a certain number abode on earth to be the ministering spirits unto those who should be the heirs of salvation. In Genesis 28:12 (Jacob's Ladder) the angels are ascending and descending. Note the order, not descending first, but ascending. Jesus refers this to Himself unto Nathaniel (John 1:51), the angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

II. SATAN AND HIS ANGELS

Under this heading we shall consider both Satan and his angels, as they are united in their rebellion against God. Satan himself is an angel. Probably the highest created being, higher than Michael the archangel (Jude 9), yet an immeasurable gulf exists between the uncreated, self-existing members of the Godhead, and this the chief creation. (Cf. Bancroft's introductions, on man's denial of Satan's existence). We will not go into the various arguments denying the existence of Satan, nor the so-called explanations, which are not explanations but denials of personality to Satan; the same explanations deny every fundamental of the faith. The temptation in the wilderness of the Lord Jesus Christ shows the reality of the Devil. Christ fought a real person, not an abstraction, or evil thought, nor a negation. The fact of Satan's existence is abundantly testified to in the Scriptures, as the originator of all evil and opposition to God.

A. THE PERSONALITY OF SATAN

Because Satan does not appear in corporeal form, but is a Spirit being, his personality, like that of God's and angels, must be accepted from the Scriptural evidences.

1. Satan was created a person. Under this heading we shall not here go into an exposition of Ezekiel 28:11-19 where we read of Lucifer's creation, but of all the heavenly host he alone is mentioned in particular. There is a lamentation, however, taken up for the "King of Tyrus, where it is evident that the Supreme Being among all the creatures of God is in view." He is said to sum up wisdom, and perfect in beauty, with Eden as his abode.
2. Personal names and pronouns are used of him. Christ has as many as 208 names in the Bible - so has Satan. Some of them are, besides titles, denoting either his nature or works:
 - a. Satan (52 times) meaning, "hater", "enemy- or "adversary" Job 1:6; Luke 10:18
 - b. Devil (35 times) meaning, "accuser" or "slanderer" Matthew 4:1
 - c. Serpent - Revelation 12:9, 20:2
 - d. Abaddon - Apollyon - First is Hebrew, second is Greek for "destroyed" Revelation 9:11
 - e. Beelzebub (Prince of Demons) Matthew 12:25
 - f. Belial - II Corinthians 6:15

- g. Lucifer - Isaiah 14:12-15
- h. Personal pronouns: Job 1:8; 2:1-2, etc

3. Personal actions and functions are ascribed to Satan.

- a. Intelligence: II Corinthians 2:11 "Devices of Satan" Device, wiles of Satan (Ephesians 6:11), Device (Revelation 12:9). All signify design. Design is a product of intelligence, and intelligence is alone a function of personality.
- b. Memory: As the quoting of Scripture to Christ (Matthew 4:6).
- c. Knowledge: Revelation 12:12 "For he knoweth that his time is short
- d. Will: The "I wills" of his fall (Isaiah 14:12-13; II Timothy 2:26)
- e. Emotions: Desire (Luke 22:31), Pride (I Timothy 3:6), Wrath (Revelation 12:12). All of these are not to be predicated of the law of gravity nor a tree, but of a personality.
- f. He tempts - as Eve and Christ Genesis 3 and Matthew 4.
- g. He speaks - Job 1:3, 10; Matthew 4:1-11.
- h. He accuses - Revelation 12:10
- i. He makes war - Revelation 12:7; 20:8-9
- j. He works miracles - Exodus 7:11
- k. He hinders God's servants and the Gospel - I Thessalonians 2:18, Matthew 13:19
- l. He ensnares the wicked - I Timothy 3:7 - and deceives the nations Revelation 20
- m. He is capable of punishment. You cannot punish an abstraction nor torment a negation, The teaching of Scripture of the punishment of Satan shows personality and moral responsibility.

4. Satan is a powerful person.

Though now fallen and judged on the cross (John 12:31, Col. 2:15), Satan has not as yet lost his exalted position as prince of the power of the air, and has lost but little of his vast power. This power is both personal and through the vast number of fallen angels and demons who do his bidding and are a part of his kingdom. His personal power is without our computation, but must of necessity be very great.

- a. He could contend with Michael the archangel (Jude 6).
- b. He accomplished the entrance of sin and fall of the human race (Genesis 3).
- c. He can appear before God (Job 1,6; 2:1).
- d. He has the power over the elements (Job 1:16 - fire, 1:19 – great wind).
- e. He has power over sickness (Job 2:7).
- f. He has power of death (Hebrews 2:14), though Jesus wrested that from him (Revelation 1:18).
- g. He has power to deceive and weaken the nations (Isaiah 14:12-17), to destroy nations, weaken and shake kingdoms. He offered them to Jesus

(Matthew 4:9), and he shall give them to his anti-Christ in the last days (Revelation 13:2).

- h. He holdeth the whole world like children asleep in his arms (I John. 5:19; Matthew. 13:38).
- i. He is called the God of this age (II Corinthians 4:4),

B. The original state and the fall of sin

Revelation in relation to Satan begins with the dateless period between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2. Satan was created by God in that period somewhere. Of his origin there are two prominent passages, primarily Ezekiel 28:11-19. A careful consideration of this and other portions are important to an understanding of the original state of Satan and his fall. In reading Ezekiel 28:11-19 we find his creation twice referred to. His perfection as created is referred to in vs. 15. In vs. 13 his perfection is set forth in detail by the suggestive symbols of precious gems. He, among all created beings, was also "full of wisdom," "perfect in beauty," filling up the sum of perfection. In vs. 14 he is called the "anointed cherub that Covereth." Like the other cherubim, he was to guard the throne of God.

He was located upon the holy mountain of God, which is a symbol or synonym of the center of God's government and eternal throne. Over this exalted throne, Lucifer was set as the anointed covering cherub. He is also said to have been in Eden, the Garden of God. This must have been another Eden than that of Adam and Eve for it had stones of fire. It must have been the original creation maybe here on earth. After the advent of man and women, we find Satan at home here and promising great things to the pair.

He appears to us with a kingdom, authority, power, and dominion, as the "Prince of the power of the air, and god of this age." It would seem, that as all the "Sons of God" had to appear before God to give an account of their rulership, Satan still must appear with them (Job 1:2), that this earth was particularly Lucifer's realm, or his dominion, in its original Edenic paradise, and he still controls much of it in a usurper's position as God has promised it to His Son.

It could be that when Satan fell, the original paradise fell with him into the chaos of Genesis 1:2. The great army of angels under him must have fallen simultaneously with him, numbering a third of Heaven's hosts. Again it is stated that Satan was perfect in all his ways from the day he was created. It is important to note two facts. He WAS created, and he was created perfect. Since he was created, he is not self-existing and cannot be independent of his creator; and being created perfect, he was holy and not sinful. Christ said of him, "He abode not in the truth" (John 8: 44.), showing that he had been in it.

This portion in Ezekiel gives mostly the exalted position of Satan as created, with vs. 16 giving part of his crime with the judgment that awaits. The other primary portion showing the fall of Satan is Isaiah 14:12-20. It is well here as we did not go into detail in Ezekiel to show why those portions evidently deal with a high being rather than a physical earthly monarch. The things spoken of this person under the "king of Tyrus" could never be predicated of a man, his perfection, his position, his office and work, and his ruin. No king of Tyrus ever was in either of the Edens of God, nor covered the throne of God. Like the Messianic Psalms, the writer there spoke of local and personal things with a prophetic meaning yet future. In Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14 the reference is both present and past. The crime of Satan is stated in the 14th verse as having purposed in his heart to become like the

most High. His heart was lifted up because of his beauty. He, who was the Anointed Cherub that covereth, with the highest honor of guarding and protecting the throne of God, struck at the throne he was to protect. The purpose of Satan was to dethrone the Almighty, and set himself in that place.

You can see that effort to supplant God in every effort of Satan through the ages, as manifest in his substitute religions where he is the real object of worship. Satan was the first being to manifest a will opposed to the will of God. There are five "I wills" in this portion:

1. "I will ascend into Heaven"
2. "I will exalt my throne above the stars" (NOTE: He had a throne)
3. "I will sit also upon the mount" (God's Holy Mountain)
4. "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds"
5. "I will be like the Most High"

Ezekiel 28:17 says, "Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness." Linking these two portions we find the root of Satan's fall was pride, which culminated in his unholy ambition to greatness. Paul calls this "the condemnation of the Devil."

Results of the Fall of Satan: Bancroft tabulates seven results as follows:

1. The anointed cherub became the original sinner (I John 3:8).
2. He became the author, fountainhead and discriminator of sin (John 8:44).
3. He ceased to abide in the truth and sin became his inherent nature, element, environment, and delight (I John 3:8; 8:44).
4. His wisdom became corrupted (Ezekiel 28:17, Romans 1:21-25).
5. He came under condemnation (I Timothy 3:6).
6. He is to be expelled from the heavenlies (Ezekiel 28:16, Revelation 10: 1-3).
7. His future destruction is determined (Isaiah 14:12-17; Revelation 20:1-3).

To this list, for greater clarity, may be added:

"He became the great oppressor, the arch-enemy of God, the hater of the good, arising out of that hatred of God." See the parable of the seeds in Matthew 13:25, cf. vs. 29. Christ is the good sower; His enemy is Satan, and this is evident in His whole career, from the subtle involving of a third of heaven's angels; with him in his first rebellion, through the indictment of Eve and Adam in his fall; the opposition to God's program throughout history, until his personal representative on earth, his Christ, the anti-Christ, shall oppose and exalt himself above all that is called God; and, in his final rebellion in Revelation 20, shall seek to lead the deceived armies of earth against Christ Himself and the city of God.

C. The work of Satan

The Scriptures asserts that we are not to be ignorant of Satan's devices (II Corinthians 2:11). God has perfectly unmasked the character and designs of Satan in the Bible. The work of Satan follows a clear course of purpose or motive, and all of his devices of

deception and strategy follows from that purpose. This is not a violent attack upon the throne of God, which he knows would but fail, but like Absalom, to steal the hearts of the unfaithful in the kingdom, and through subtlety gain a kingdom for himself. His supreme motive is to "be like the Most High." "All the sacrifices of the heathen, Paul states, are to demons and not to God" (See I Corinthians 10:20, all false worship, whether it is the abominable rites of heathenism or the refined, cultured worship of Satan and a denial of the only Lord. God that bought them, Until under the strong delusion of the last days of this age, when the wicked one shall oppose and exalt himself above God, then we read, "all the world wondered after the beast (anti-Christ) and worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beasts (Revelation 13:3,4).

The primary work of Satan is to hinder and sabotage the work and program of God in every way, while seeking to be like the most High, and set up his own kingdom with himself as their God, being worshipped. He even asked Jesus to worship him for the gift of the kingdoms of the world (Luke 4:7). This motive or purpose of Satan to be like the Most High is to be found in all of his activity. His is a counterfeit, imitative activity. There is hardly a spiritual or godly thing but that Satan has his counterfeit. All of the gifts of the Holy Spirit are imitated by him; all of the religious ceremonies and ordinances have their hellish counterfeit. In every false religion you will find the same Satanic purpose - to "be like the Most High." In the closing scenes of this age, the Son of Perdition, (the anti-Christ), and the False Prophet as head of all false religion, will imitate the position of the Holy Spirit. This will be Satan's greatest bid, to be "like the Most High," The period is even heralded by Apostles of Satan, teaching by "seducing spirits and doctrines of demons" (I Timothy 4:1; II Corinthians 11:13-15).

There is another side to the work of Satan besides the effort to be "like the Most High." It is to oppose the Most High. The two are connected in the Satan energized Man of Sin who is to come, "who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped" (II Thessalonians 2:4). He is not only trying to imitate God, but, while doing that, he is trying to prolong his own existence by unceasing warfare in which to oppose God. This enmity toward God is not only confined to his hatred of God but also of God's children. This is not strange as the Scriptures explain that they have "partaken of the Divine nature" (II Peter 1:4). To hurt them is a thrust at God. Satan has no controversy or warfare with his own children, though he is the means of their damnation. Christ says, "The world will love its own." That is, the Satan-controlled system loves its own, but "it hath hated me, and it will hate you." Jesus, three times calls Satan "the prince of this world." He controls the world (kosmos) system, and it is no wonder it hates the believer. Were it not for the intercession of our Lord Jesus Christ, we would be snuffed out (John 17:15). See also Luke 22:31. See I Peter 5:7-9 and Ephesians 6:10-12 for Satan's opposition to the saints.

This work of opposition may be seen in his effort to hinder the Christian's testimony, for unto us is committed the ministry of reconciliation. This is the only way the world, will get the Gospel message of redemption. If Satan can hinder the believer's life and testimony, he does much to resist God. Here is the explanation of the dark ages and the failure of the Church to evangelize, the social gospel substituted for the message of salvation. Every effort to reach the unsaved is assailed by Satan; even true evangelists and pastors get side tracked on other subjects. True messengers are maligned, ill-treated, ill-paid, and slandered. In the question of money, Satan's opposition may be seen. Men can collect with little effort vast sums for education, health, culture, and socialization, as the Methodist Church War

Collection of \$25,000,000 for a social program geared to the times, but try to take a collection for evangelization or missions. Satan can gear his opposition to suit the times. If a direct assault has a chance of success he tries that, but, if subtlety is needed, he can transform himself into an angel of light and bring a message of cheer, of social uplift, or of some other great truth, but always omitting the essential Gospel message of personal salvation from sin by the sacrificial death of God's Son. See this illustrated in Church History.

In the early church, Satan, as "a roaring lion, went about seeking whom he might devour." By the burning stake, the headman's blow and the amphitheater where the faithful to Christ fought wild beasts, Satan tried to destroy the church by slaughter. Finding failure, he tried another and more successful method, by adulteration, by a mixture of the false and the true. Constantine made Christianity the state religion, and it became popular to be a member of the first church. He baptized his whole army, and they were then "Christians"? The church became so worldly and the world so churchy until there was very little difference. Satan has used that method ever since. He is now transforming himself into "an angel of light." He is no longer a "roaring lion," but is now a preacher of the "new gospel for an enlightened age. He mixes a quantity of truth with error. He must have some Bible in it; the pill always must be sugar coated to hide the bitter dose.

The work of Satan may be thus summarized:

1. He instigates men to sin (Genesis 3:1-6; John 13:2). Note especially the last reference.
2. He tempts men, allures the saints (I Thessalonians 3:5; I Corinthians 7:5). He even tempted Christ (II Corinthians 11:3).
3. He slanders God to man (Genesis 3:1-6).
4. He slanders man to God (Job 1:9-11; Revelation 12:9-10).
5. He inflicts suffering and disease (Job 2:7; Acts 10:38; Luke 13:16).
6. He enters into and controls men (Ephesians 4:27; John 13:27; I Timothy 3:7).
7. Contends with and opposes the saints (Ephesians 6: 12; Zechariah 3:1; I Timothy 2:26).
8. He sifts and tries believers (Luke 22:31).
9. He blinds the minds of the unbelievers (II Corinthians 1:3- 4),
10. He steals away the truth from the minds of men (Mark 4:15; Matthew 13:19).
11. He sows tares or counterfeit doctrine and has counterfeit children (Matthew 13:38-39).
12. He authorized and energized his own ministers into angels of light (II Corinthians 11:13-15).
13. He institutes his own churches and religious systems, called "Synagogues of Satan" (Revelation 3:9).
14. He seeks to destroy men (I Peter 5:8).
15. He is the Father of all lies (John 8:44), the opposite of "God of Truth."
16. He deceives the nations (II Corinthians 11:3; II Thessalonians 2:9; Revelation 12:9; 20:7-8).

D. The believer's victory over Satan

The believer, as being positional and in Christ, must remember that he is dealing with a defeated foe, even though he is a powerful foe. Within ourselves we could do nothing against this highest of created beings, who can dominate the very elements, and work miracles, and oppose God's archangel Michael. But the Scriptures say of him in Colossians 2:15 that Christ "Spoiled (or robbed) principalities and powers" in His work on the cross, "He made a show of them openly triumphing over them in it" (also Hebrews 2: 14 and I John 3:8. Christ's victory is our victory. Our lives are hid away in Christ, and in His victory on the cross as ours we are safe in Him. We should claim complete dominion over any advantage Satan may try to hold over us. Paul says in Romans 16:20, "And the God of Peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly." Final triumph is assured, and immediate victory should be possessed.

The pathway of victory is outlined in the Scriptures:

1. To put on the whole armor of God that we might be able to stand against the wiles of the devil (Ephesians 6:11-18). The incompletely equipped child of God is the prime target for Satan's darts. Cf. II Timothy 3:16-17 - "That the man of God might be perfect, thoroughly furnished," The saint had better get the whole equipment.
2. Watchfulness is necessary when such an enemy seeks our downfall. I Peter 5:8 says, "Be sober, be watchful; your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour" (RV).
3. Resistance should be made to the devil's attacks. The method of resistance is given in James 4:7. First, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the Devil and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you." Not a haughty human rebuke of Satan, but submission first to God, fleeing to the Rock that is higher than I, then a steadfast resisting of all of Satan's attacks, using Michael's method, "The Lord rebuke thee Satan." Invoking the Name of Jesus has many times routed the enemy of our souls, "The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it and are safe," somewhat as an ambassador is safe sheltered under the flag of his country.
4. The believer is to give no place to the Devil, no room, no entrance wedge, by evil passion, or anger, or other fleshly manifestation. Ephesians 4:26-27 suggests how place is given Satan - by anger and continuing in wrath. How much victory is lost over a short loss of temper! We can lose our peace of mind by giving someone a piece of our mind. There should never be a slight jesting about the Devil; a laughing it off. The Devil is not a joke, but an ever-present powerful spiritual adversary, seeking whom he may devour. He is a malignant enemy seeking our damnation, and, if failing in that, our constant defeat and failure of God's best for us. His only access is through the "Old Man" or "Flesh Nature," the "Adam Nature." The natural man received by natural generation. That is the traitor on the inside, which opens the way for Satan's onslaught against our souls. Herein is the need of "keeping our bodies under lest we become outcast, or disqualified" (I Corinthians 9:27), James 1:13-15 tells us the avenue of Satan's temptation. It is

very evident that Satan cannot force or make man do anything, but must allure or paint very nice pictures of sin so that the natural heart will desire it. He has some method of communicating with the minds of men, to suggest evil, disobedience, and even evil thoughts. He gains a great advantage over weak saints with this method, suggesting doubt, fear, and even distrust of God. Hence the Scriptures have much to say about the mind in redemption. As guarding the mind, Philippians 4:7, says "keep" (to garrison, guard, keep sentry duty over). Very few saints realize they have a responsibility for their every thought. Paul states what to think about in the eighth verse of this fourth chapter of Philippians. Christ was manifest to destroy the works of the devil, first in the believer, then in the world. The believer needs to claim that present victory over their enemy the Devil.

E. The destiny of Satan

Since the future destiny of Satan is linked with his past fall, there are certain steps attached to his condemnation, starting from his first fall to final judgment.

1. The first curse attached to Satan was being "Cast... as profane out of the mountain of God, and pronouncement of destruction from the midst of the stones of fire" (Ezekiel 28:16). There is henceforth only a waiting for the inevitable doom in "the Lake of Fire prepared for Satan and his angels" (Matthew 25:41).
2. The second step in Satan's destiny was his defeat by Jesus upon the cross, prophesied in Genesis 3:15; I John 3:8; Hebrews 2:14; Colossians 2:15; John 12:31; Luke 10:18.
3. His expulsion from the heavenlies, that is, his access to them for the purpose of accusing the brethren before God. This is the war in heaven between Michael and his angels and Satan and his angels (Revelation 12: 7-9)
4. Then Satan is bound in the bottomless pit for 1,000 years (Revelation 20:1).
5. He is loosed for a short season to deceive the nations and reap the final harvest of iniquity from the earth (Revelation 20:7-9). During the millennial reign of our Lord upon the earth, there will be many unconverted people who will yield only feigned obedience, or forced obedience. These will follow Satan in the final rebellion.
6. Satan is cast into the Lake of Fire and brimstone (Revelation 20:10).

II. DEMONS

The Scriptures give abundant proof of the existence of a vast order of spirit beings that are under the control of Satan and do his bidding. Their number may be seen from the fact that a legion indwelt one man or two men of Gadara. The fact of their existence is seen from the personal contact that Jesus had with them in casting them out of possessed persons. He dealt with them as with personal responsible creatures who could understand His commands, could obey them, possessing knowledge, saying to Jesus, "We know thee who Thou art" (Luke 4:35). They worshipped Christ (Mark 5:6). They can't believe (James 2:19) anticipation to judgment or have

a foreknowledge of impending doom (Matthew 8:29). The common authorized version of the Scriptures has mistranslated the Greek words daimonion and daimon, from which our English word demon is derived, by the oft repeated word Devil or devils, when it should be demon or demons. The word Devil is always reserved for the original devil or Satan, except in three cases where the word Diabolos, or "accuser" or "slanderer" is used of men (I Timothy 3:1, 11; 3:3; Titus 2:3). It is used more than 30 times of Satan, but the words daimonion and daimon in both the singular and plural is never used interchangeably with Diabolos.

Demons have come in for their share of disbelief and denial of existence. The modern Sadducees, who neither believes in the resurrection, the miraculous, or angels, deny the existence of demons along with the Devil and angels. Their explanation vary with the various schools of skepticism to which they belong, which varies from a down-right accusation of ignorance to the Son of God, to some kind of trickery on His part. They say Christ knew better but either didn't want to or decided it was no use to try to enlighten the ignorance of the disciples. In other words they assert, "Christ knew better than to believe in demons, but didn't trouble to enlighten His disciples." When you read the Gospel accounts, you cannot get that impression. Christ dealt with them as personal agents of a very foul nature.

Demons are spirit being. From the following passages can be seen the fact of their existence as spirit beings. The words "demon" and "spirit" are interchangeable. See Mt. 8: 16; Lk.10:17, 20: 8, 2, 3. Their origin is shrouded in the mystery of the prehistoric past. But from their New Testament activity of seeking embodiment, it would seem to indicate that they are disembodied spirits. Angels never had a body, and therefore would not seek embodiment. But wherever demons seek to be active in the New Testament it is for embodiment, or possession of human beings.

They seem to have man's own temperament or soulish nature (but not man's spirit), which must have a body to express itself and be happy. Paul speaks of a groaning not to be disembodied, but clothed upon with a glorified body. We could never be complete or happy in eternity without a body. Our soulish natures need a body for complete expression. It would seem that demons must have this same compulsion, for we read in the story of the demons of Gadarea, that they sought to be embodied in the swine rather than be cast out altogether. From this deduction, it would seem that demons are not angels, but a prehistoric race of personal moral agents who lived here on earth before Adam in the first Paradise of God in which Satan as Lucifer lived and ruled. They might have been his subjects then. He had a kingdom here on earth, as God of this age, Prince (Ruler) of this world, and still holds that sway. While it is a matter for conjecture only, still it gives a plausible explanation of the many mysterious workings of demons.

There is one other intimation in the Scriptures. In Genesis 1:28 God gives the same command to Adam that he later gave to Noah in Genesis 9:1 - "Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth;" that which has not been "plenished" before cannot be replenished. Their employment is under the command of Satan for his every foul purpose and work, such as the possession and embodiment of humans (Mark 5:8-13), bringing bodily affliction (Matthew 21:22) such as blindness (Matthew 13:22), dumbness (Matthew 9:32, 33), other Luke 13:11-17). They teach Satan's religions (I Timothy 4:1) and head his religions as objects of worship and sacrifice (I Corinthians 10-20. They lead nations in Satan's plans (Revelation 16:13-14). They shall implement the wrath of Satan in the last days of this age as a scourge upon the earth (Revelation 9:1-11). We believe these to be literal spirit beings out of the abyss, with Satan as their king. We will enlarge upon the subject of Demons in class,

IV. Notes on the Psychology of Temptation.

Paul - I Corinthians 10:13 "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to all men; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it." He did not say He will not suffer you to be tempted, but not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able to bear. He did not say He will always keep you from great temptation, but is faithful to provide a way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

There are two errors into which believers' fall concerning temptation. Satan uses both to trap the unwary.

A. The one is a state of overconfidence toward temptation or sin itself to believe either that one is above all temptation or free from it, so that they will not again be tempted. This is the guile idea that sanctification forever delivers from temptation, as though Satan would let a person go that easy, or that as long as we are in this state of probation there is no more need of trying of faith or testing of character. God has never promised such a state. If Jesus the Son of God must be tempted and tested and to learn obedience through the things which he suffered, we need not expect such freedom from temptation. The danger of this false sense of security is that it allows Satan an advantage over us of surprise. The unexpected testing or temptation carries an added element of risk. He blinds his eyes to the potentials of his own heart to the wiles of Satan who ignorantly believes he is above temptation.

The other side of overconfidence concerning temptation is to do what Paul says he never did, "put confidence in the flesh;" to think with over-confidence that "I can never be so tempted, others may fall, but not me;" to think we have some special grace, which makes us immune to all attractions of temptation. How many times such a state has led one to the very same sin we despised in others, or a worse one? Paul says, "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall" (I Corinthians 10:12). Paul also states in Galatians 6:1, "Brethren if a man be overtaken in a fault ye which are spiritual restore such a one in the spirit of meekness, considering (Diag. "watching") thyself lest thou also be tempted." Pride that you are free from that particular kind of temptation is the first step of falling into the like condemnation, but do not think for one moment that deeper grace within your life guarantees freedom from temptation. The opposite is true. When a saint enters into the deeper interior life of consecration, Satan contests every step we make for God. Sometimes the strength and number of the temptations are good attestations that we have grown in grace; see how God did not lead the children of Israel immediately from Egypt by the Philistine country, "Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war and they return to Egypt." No, only after 40 years of wilderness preparation and dealings with them did God lead them into Canaan with its high walled cities, giants 31 in number, and seven mightier nations than they. The presence of temptation is taken by many as a sign that they are not sanctified, or consecrated, or the presence of carnality. No, as long as we are in this present state, we will still have the old nature on which for Satan to work,

even when sanctified. Herein is our temptation different than Christ's. He said, "When the Prince of this world cometh he findeth nothing in me," but Satan does find something in us of which to take hold. Even of Christ it is said after His temptation in the wilderness, "He (Satan) departed from Him for a season" (Lk.14:13), and he came back again.

B. The second common error used by Satan to trap unwary saints is to believe that temptation itself is sin. Satan has kept many saints in fearful bondage believing that evil suggestions and suggestions to evil within their minds are sin, and they blame themselves for it. This in turn brings self-condemnation, discouragement, and many times leads to the actual sin, which, at first, was but a temptation. It seems as though no one would fall for that trick of Satan, but, alas, I have dealt with hundreds in my ministry and no doubt many more in sermons in various pastorates that were taken captive by Satan by this ruse. So many times the filthy suggestions of Satan carry with them to our consciences a feeling of pollution. The tempted one thinks, "I must be very bad to even get such thoughts." It is like a thief caught stealing by you of the stealing until you feel like running to get away from it.

Illustration: In Lumberton, North Carolina, a woman in deep distress came to me for help. She said she had accepted Christ and rejoiced in salvation for a number of years, until she heard a sermon on the unpardonable sin. From that day Satan began his oppression. She told me she feared she was lost for she had some of the most horrible thoughts. I heard from her the same old story of the lying adversary. She said, "Every time I pray I think dirty blasphemous things of Christ, of the Holy Spirit, and of God. I awaken at night with the filthiest things in my mind, and even dream them sometimes at night" (a common trick many times of Satan to fill our minds in waking hours so that they affect our sleeping hours. God can purify our dreams also). She said, "I was always a pure girl and woman and true to my husband. I never thought those thoughts before in my life. I must be lost and bad. I have committed the unpardonable sin." It took me a couple of months of constant dealing with her under "God's direction and praying with her before she got the victory and saw the trick of the enemy." I told her of Satan's method of first himself suggesting the thought out of his own dirty heart and mind and then accusing her of thinking it. I told her to rebuke Satan in the name of the Lord and refuse then to acknowledge the thoughts as her own, giving her the positive filling of the mind with the Word of God, for they are the purest, truest, etc., words and things. The Devil will make a garbage can out of our minds if we let him. Our minds are either a hotel where any Tom, Dick, or Harry can get a room, or a palace where only the King lives. God marvelously delivered this woman from Satanic oppression. This trick is as old as Satan himself; to suggest evil thoughts, blasphemies, i.e., 'Why haven't you been in church worshipping,' all of a sudden you had a thought so foreign to your surroundings and train of thought; or 'Have you been praying or listening to others pray?' and suddenly like a cloud of evil smoke will come a thought like, "How do you know there is a God?" or maybe no one is listening, etc.

Just remember, temptation is not sin or else Jesus would have sinned, for Satan suggested very evil thoughts to Him. "To bow down and worship Satan." The old saying is applicable here, "You can't keep birds from flying over your head, but you can keep them from building nests in your hair." You can't keep Satan from suggesting evil, God-dishonoring thoughts, but you can keep from entertaining them and making them yours, for as soon as you harbor them, accept them, make them yours, they become sin. The temptation itself is not sin. A man may ask me to share with him in the spoils of robbery (Just be sure you don't do some act and he mistakes you for one), but no one can accuse me

of receiving stolen property if I indignantly refuse and drive him away from me. Temptation could not be sin and God say, "Count it all joy when you fall into divers temptation;" nor could God suffer us to be tempted at all if it was sin in itself. Though God never does the tempting (for James says, "God tempteth no man") and Satan is the tempter, yet it is the temptation resisted and overcome which contributes to the saint's growth in grace and wins a crown of life (Jas. is 1:12).

B. How Satan tempts or the psychology of temptation

The question arises, "Just how does Satan tempt? And how does he allure to sin? What part of my nature does he have access to? What part of my nature does he use?"

We have already considered the point that Satan cannot force one to sin. He is not omnipotent. God, if He so wills, can force men to do His bidding, but it is only because He so wills that men can will contrary to God and do as he wills in rebelling against God. Satan doesn't have that power over man. He cannot make me sin. His whole ability lies more in the psychological realm. He relies upon cunning subtlety, as Paul speaks of It, "The snare of the devil" (A baited trap).

If he came openly declaring himself and his intentions he would but drive the Christian to Christ. Proverbs says, "He that layeth a snare in the sight of a bird doeth it in vain." Herein lies the danger of the temptations of Satan, the guise in which they come. Too often they seem like innocent amusements, harmless fun, light past-times, mere human foibles excused by us, painted up by Satan to hide the death trap. Satan, as a spirit being, has access to our spiritual natures even as the Holy Spirit does. The Holy Spirit as a Spirit-being can work on our consciences to convict of wrongdoing. He can work on our memories to remember our sins in their hideous details to convict; He can work on our minds also in their reflections, and cogitations or reasonings to impress upon it the righteous claims of God; He can work on the affections to "draw the soul unto Christ." Within the believer we see the work of the Holy Spirit giving spiritual instruction in the deep things of God.

Satan and his messengers as spirit beings seem to possess the same ability only in limited degree to act upon all the powers or sense of soul and body, and because we possess a still fallen nature, which wills against God and is based toward evil, Satan "finds something in us." He can communicate with our spiritual natures. We see him using the imagination often to paint alluring pictures of the desirability of sin, enlarging upon them, and painting lying images. See him approaching the reason to argue the desirability of sin. See him as he uses the affections, love of the wrong things. To some degree he has the ability to use memory, as of some dirty story we have heard, etc.

John outlines temptation as, "The lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh and the pride of life" (I John 2:16). You may see Satan's temptation as he used every sense of spiritual nature as well as bodily. There are the appetites of the flesh, sex, eating, etc. There are spiritual aesthetic appetites such as acquisition, pride, and ambition. There are lusts of the flesh and lusts of the eye. Satan uses the eye to show us what we should not look upon, the ear to pour his filth, and the mind to meditate upon, then to entertain them. James says is 1:14, "Every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lusts and enticed." Note that the word is for "allured." "Then when lust hath conceived it bringeth forth sin." The

ability of Satan as spirit to contact immediately our spirits to present his temptations is illustrated in the case of Ananias in Acts 5:3 - "Why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Spirit." Vs. 4 "Thou hast conceived this thing in your own heart." The allurement was Satan's; the conception of sin his own.

Another illustration comes with his suggestions to evil or inordinate fulfillment of desires. There seems to be a receptive attitude on the part of the old nature, a stirring into life and desire by the "enticement" a promise to it of new life and encouragement. Here is the point of victory to will with God, further submit unto God, and resist the Devil, and give no room, but as abiding in Christ draw from Him the strength and virtue needed for complete renunciation of the temptation.

CREATING A
LEGACY:
CRC'S GUIDE
TO LIVING &
ETHICAL WILLS

*"If you're going to live, leave a
legacy. Make a mark on the world
that can't be erased."*

- Maya Angelou

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A Letter From Our Founding Rabbi, Susan Talve

Dear beloved CRC family,

When we were young, my three sisters and I would cringe when my mother would tell a story. "Divide by ten!" we would say. We would laugh, but her embellishing would embarrass us and we wondered if the world wasn't, or we weren't, enough just the way we were. But we never really talked about it. My mother didn't want to talk about the legacy and lessons of her life or about death. She cheated death many times and always hoped that there would be one more pill or treatment to save her from it again.

We were lucky to have my mother for as long as we did. We could have spoken for hours at her funeral, but we did not have her words. She just didn't want to think that she could die. Even at the end, she thought that by denying death she could cheat it once again. But she couldn't; none of us can. So while we continue to tell *our* stories, we don't have her words on what she wanted her legacy to be and how she wanted to be remembered. We wonder what lessons she learned that would help us now that we are older. By the time we realized how much we wanted to know from her, it was too late.

The Days of Awe, between the Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, challenge us to take a *Cheshbon haNefesh*, an inventory of the soul. We are encouraged to take a truthful look at our lives, strengthen the things we feel good about and change the aspects we know need changing.

One way to do this is to use ***Creating a Legacy: CRC's Guide to Living and Ethical Wills*** to prepare your legal, living and ethical wills. I hope that the journey through this guide will help each of us get in touch with what is most important to us, challenge us to take stock of our lives today and prepare us for all that we hope will continue and be appreciated after we are gone. One of the greatest gifts we can leave for our loved ones is knowing our wishes -- practically, ethically and spiritually.

Before Jacob died, he gathered his children and grandchildren around him to give each a brutally honest, individual blessing. He taught them to face who they are while they still have time to become the best they can be. To his son Joseph he said, "I will die this one time." What could he mean? Can a person die more than once? The commentary says that all people die once but if no one remembers their legacy, they die a second death.

When I think about my mother today, I am grateful for all her exaggerations. I now know that she was preparing us to be in the world without her, an embellished world that would not be as limited as the one she inherited. A times-ten world where there is room for everyone and their dreams. But I still wish that I had her words.

I would like to dedicate the ***Creating a Legacy: CRC's Guide to Living and Ethical Wills*** and the journeys it inspires to all those whose legacies are a blessing to us and will continue to be a blessing and an inspiration because we remember them.

Love,

Susan

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Jalve".

CRC Founding Rabbi, one of the ways I hope to be remembered.

I want to thank Susan Weissman and Lisa Orden Zarin for creating our original *Workshop on Living and Ethical Wills* in 1998 after Nathan Weissman died at just two years old. Nathan's legacy to our community has been a blessing. I am more than grateful to our Rabbinic Intern (at the time) Deana Sussman, for creating the 2012 version of this guide.

Using Your Guide

Planning for the future, ensuring that our legacy lives on *l'dor vador* (from generation to generation) is one of the most fundamental Jewish values; one which we strive to live out at CRC. Each and every decision is made with the understanding that our choices determine the legacies we leave and the stories that will be told to future generations. Engaging in the processes involved in the creation of legal, ethical and living wills is one of the greatest gifts we can give to our loved ones. The journey also provides us insight into our lives.

Creating a Legacy: CRC's Guide to Ethical and Living Wills is divided into four sections: (1) the will of inheritance, (2) the living will, (3) the ethical will, and (4) philanthropic legacy. At the conclusion of each section, you will find worksheets to guide your process. Once you have completed all of the worksheets and relevant documents, we ask that you make a copy of each to return to CRC to be kept in confidence for your heirs.

It is important to note that these final documents will **not** be considered legal documents. The purpose of this guide is to help you to begin thinking about these complex questions. We ask that you return copies of your living and ethical wills to CRC not to act as a legally binding document, but rather, so that we may have a record of your wishes should the need arise.

As with legal versions of living wills, the living and ethical wills you return to CRC are not irrevocable. In fact, we ask that you revisit this guide each year during the time between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur as a part of your *cheshbon ha-nefesh* (accounting of the soul). As you reflect on the past year, we invite you to review your living and ethical wills to decide whether your stated wishes and ethical legacies are accurate representations of your current self.

We hope that you use this guide as an opportunity to reflect, to make difficult choices, to face mortality, and to engage in important and meaningful conversations with loved ones. As always, if you have any questions or would like help as you contemplate these issues,

please do not hesitate to contact any one of the CRC rabbis. We wish you well as you embark on this complex inner journey! May it be a blessing.

Legacy as a Core Value

CRC's mission is to be "a vibrant urban Jewish community dedicated to supporting one another in holy ways, pursuing justice and lifelong learning, and providing a shelter of peace."

Among our core values, we find:

A deep sense of community where we, in part, draw strength from each other by connecting both in crisis and in celebration. It is a community that strives to make Judaism relevant and meaningful in the lives of its members.

A respect for diversity including the valuing and sharing between generations and inclusiveness of all who seek to be a part of our community.

An embrace of struggle as a way to continually challenge and grow our beliefs as individuals, as a congregation and as members of the broader Jewish community.

We truly believe that engaging in the process of writing living and ethical wills embodies our mission and core values. It is our privilege to accompany one another through all of the stages of life, the last of which is death. We understand death to be our final phase of life and as such we affirm the importance of preparation. We believe that having ethical and living wills in place allows us not only to pass from this world to the next with dignity and holiness, but to live our lives more fully. This is an important exercise for all ages.

This process requires us to give some thought to the purpose of our lives, our own core values and ethical and moral assets as well as our estate planning. A key Jewish value is "shalom bayit,"

preserving peace in the home. The primary goal of estate planning is to protect and preserve the family, not to protect and preserve family assets.

Every family is different! This document does not serve as legal tax or financial advice.

Competent advisors should be consulted as part of your planning. These pages will help you and your family and your community respect your wishes and help you achieve your goals.

Part 1: The Will of Inheritance

If a householder dies without leaving a son, you shall transfer his property to his daughter. If he has no daughter, you shall assign his property to his brothers. If he has no brothers, you shall assign his property to his father's brothers. If his father had no brothers, you shall assign his property to his nearest relative in his own clan, who shall inherit it. This shall be the law of procedure for the Israelites in accordance with God's command to Moses.

Numbers 27:8-11

As we travel through life, we accumulate innumerable things: we own houses, we purchase cars, we invest in artwork, we buy jewelry. We have coin collections, photographs and baseball cards from our youth. These may be things, but they mean something to us. Each piece of our personal property relates to experiences and relationships that tell the stories of our lives. These things may serve as physical reminders of our presence when we are no longer here. They may help our loved ones remember us and tell our stories to the next generation.

It is important to take stock of all that we have acquired throughout our lives. A will of inheritance is a legal document that states what should be done with personal property after death. These legal documents are outside of our (CRC's) domain—they are best left to lawyers who know how to prepare and execute them. However, we strongly encourage each and every person to invest some time in creating a will of inheritance.

The following pages are not part of the living and ethical wills that we will ask you to return to CRC. They are here for the sole purpose of helping you to begin thinking about your will of inheritance. They are for your records; if the need ever arises, your loved ones will have any and all of your necessary life data, as well as the ability to access important documents.¹ We recommend that you share this with your family, but take appropriate security measures to protect this highly sensitized information.

¹Questions in the following pages adapted from: Rabbi Richard F. Address, ed. *A Time to Prepare: A Practical Guide for Individuals and Families in Determining One's Wishes for Extraordinary Medical Treatment and Financial Arrangements*, (New York: UAHC, 1994), 1-13.

Life Data

Basic Information

1. Name:_____
2. Social Security Number:_____
3. Hebrew Name:_____
4. Residence:_____
5. Years at Current Address:_____
6. Telephone Numbers and email addresses:

7. Birthplace and Date:_____
8. Conversion (Date/Place/Under the Auspices of):_____

Family Information

9. Spouse or Next of Kin:_____
10. Children (Name and Social Security Numbers):_____

11. One or more of my children are adopted and information about their adoption can be found:

12. Parents
 - Parent 1 Birth & Legal Names:_____
 - Parent 1 Hebrew Name:_____
 - Parent 2 Birth & Legal Names:_____
 - Parent 2 Hebrew Name:_____

13. I was adopted and my birth parents names are:

14. Information about my adoption can be found:

15. Siblings (include half and step siblings):

16. Grandparents

Parent 1 Side: _____

Parent 2 Side: _____

17. Grandchildren: _____

18. Pets: _____

19. Important facts about my family history:

Military Service Details

20. VA Claim Number: _____

21. Service Serial Number: _____

22. Date and Place of Discharge: _____

Religious & Charitable Information

23. I am a member of the following religious group(s):

24. I am a member of the following fraternal organization(s):

25. I support the following charitable activities, and my will reflects my wishes:

Medical Information

26. Important Facts about my family medical history:

27. Blood/Genetic Information:

People to Notify Immediately After Death

Funeral Arrangements

1. Rabbi: _____
 - a. Tel. and Email: _____
2. Do you have a pre-planned and/or Paid Agreement with a Funeral Director? _____
 - a. Name: _____
 - b. Telephone and email: _____
3. Cemetery of Choice: _____
4. Pallbearers
 - a. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - b. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - c. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - d. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - e. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - f. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

g. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

h. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

5. Other Relatives and Close Friends (name, telephone, and email)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

f. _____

6. Employer, Office, Partner, Staff:

7. Former employers:

Financial & Legal Contacts

8. Retirement plans and pensions:

9. Stock broker(s):

a. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

b. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

c. Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

10. Attorney/Firm: _____

a. Telephone and email: _____

11. Accountant/Firm: _____

a. Telephone and email: _____

12. Executor/Executrix of Will

a. Primary's Name: _____

i. Telephone and email: _____

b. Secondary's Name: _____

- i. Telephone and email: _____
- c. Tertiary's Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
- 13. Life Insurance Agent/Company: _____
 - a. Telephone and email: _____
- 14. Bank Trust Officer: _____
 - a. Telephone and email: _____
- 15. Bank Trust Officer: _____
 - a. Telephone and email: _____
- 16. Holder of Mortgage: _____
 - a. Telephone and email: _____
- 17. Retirement Plan Benefits/Company:

Medical Contacts

- 18. Doctor(s)
 - a. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - b. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____
 - c. Name: _____
 - i. Telephone and email: _____

Places of Safekeeping Location and Passwords

1. Cell Phone Password: _____

2. Safe-Deposit Box(es):

a. Location & Number: _____

i. Location of Key: _____

b. Location & Number: _____

i. Location of Key: _____

c. Location & Number: _____

i. Location of Key: _____

3. Strongbox _____

a. Key or Combination _____

4. Home Safe _____

a. Key or Combination _____

5. Location of Home Desk Key: _____

6. Location of Office Desk Key: _____

7. Home Files Location: _____

a. Combination or Location of Key: _____

8. Office Files Location: _____

a. Combination or Location of Key: _____

9. Location of Locker: _____

a. Combination or Location of Key: _____

10. Location of Briefcase: _____

a. Combination or Location of Key: _____

11. Storage/Warehouse Name and Address:

a. Combination or Location of Key: _____

Location of Important Documents

1. Will: _____
2. Life Insurance Policy (if payable to beneficiary other than the estate)

3. Jointly Owned Property
 - a. Deed to Home: _____
 - b. Deeds to Other Properties:

4. Trusts:

5. Stock/Securities Certificates:

6. Bonds:

7. Real Property Not Held Jointly:

8. Other Assets, i.e., royalties, patents, etc.

9. Other Insurance Policies

Health: _____

Disability: _____

Home: _____

Umbrella: _____

Auto: _____

10. Bank Accounts

Savings: _____

Money Market(s): _____

Checking: _____

CD(s): _____

11. Records of IRA(s): _____

12. Debts/Monthly Obligations:

a. Mortgage

i. Home: _____

ii. Office: _____

b. Home Improvement Loan: _____

c. Others:

13. Income Tax Papers/1040 Returns:

14. Records of Purchase/Sale: _____

15. Business Agreement/Partnership Contracts:

16. Pension Information: _____

17. Military Discharge/VA Papers: _____

18. Credit Cards and Account Numbers:

19. Title to Automobiles and Auto Registrations:

20. Marriage Certificate: _____

21. Birth Certificate/Adoption Papers: _____

22. Naturalization Papers: _____

23. Change of Name Papers: _____

24. Previous Marriage Certificates: _____

25. Divorce Papers: _____

26. Birth Certificates of Children: _____

27. Other Important Documents

Durable Power of Attorney Form Websites

Fillable Form

<https://missourilawyershelp.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/final-dpa-forms-fillable-2.pdf>

Printable Form & Information Packet

<https://missourilawyershelp.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Durable-Power-of-Attorney-Full-Booklet-4-25-17.pdf>

Formulario y paquete en español

<https://missourilawyershelp.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Durable-Power-of-Attorney-Full-Booklet-4-25-17-Spanish.pdf>

Request a Form be Delivered by Mail

<https://mobar.wufoo.com/forms/online-order-form/>

or call The Missouri Bar Association at (573) 635-4128 for assistance.

A lawyer is not needed to complete the form but may be helpful if you have questions or feel that all of your concerns are not being met. Your health care providers may also help. There is a place for a notary to add their seal.

Part 2: The Living Will

When they say I cannot hear you, sing me lullabies and folk songs, the ones I sang to you. I will hear them as an unborn child can hear its mother's music through the waters of the womb. When they say I can feel nothing, press your face against my forehead, rest your hand against my cheek. I will feel them as the woman at the window feels the wind outside the glass. When they say I'm past all caring, brush my hair and braid it in ribbons. I will know it as the seashells on my table know the rhythms of the sea. When they tell you to go home, stay with me if you can. Deep inside I will be weeping.

Naomi Halperin Spiegel

When we share what we want with o-*Naomi* ur families and loved ones, we give them a gift beyond measure. We continue to love and protect the people who mean the most to us. We continue to safeguard them at the time when they are most vulnerable. We continue to help them make decisions when we are least able to communicate. When our deaths are surrounded by complex decisions, there is nothing we can do to spare our loved ones from mourning. But by leaving them a living will, we can save them from a lifetime of grief.

Many of us shudder when we are presented with the task of anticipating our own deaths. We say "it's too morbid" or we "don't want to think about it." But creating a living will is a profound act of love that emphasizes the sanctity of life and our role in this world as co-creators with God. A living will demonstrate, once again, our commitment to compassion at every stage of life and death. A living will is proof of our ability and willingness to take action even in our darkest hours.

The following pages will explore how Jewish tradition helps us to understand the complex questions surrounding death; please use these discussions as catalysts to facilitate further contemplation of your own preferences. This section is further divided into two subsections: (a) the Advance Medical Directive and (b) Funeral and Interment Wishes. Above all, we wish to affirm

the dignity and sanctity of life, and aspire to maintain these principles even in this final stage of life. We understand the difficulty of the task we are giving you, but hope that you will take the time to contemplate how you would like to pass from this world into the next in the holiest of ways: your way.

The Advance Medical Directive

An advance directive is a legal document which allows an individual to express wishes for medical care if he/she is unable to speak for him/herself. In doing this work, we protect our loved ones from the burden of making life and death decisions for us; we spare them the immeasurable guilt, pain, and grief that may accompany making a decision for someone without knowledge of his/her wishes.

A number of years ago, the Union for Reform Judaism resolved to “reaffirm in accordance with Reform tradition that each individual has the ethical, moral, and legal right to make his or her own health care decisions and that such right survives incompetency.” Additionally, they “encourage members of our congregations to use Advance Health Care Directives and/or other legally acceptable and binding writings, such as living wills and durable health care powers of attorney, for the purpose of memorializing their respective decisions.”²

An Advance Directive asks that you consider such things as choosing a health care agent, life support measures, end-of-life care, quality of life, and organ donation. The following pages will present you with the variety of Jewish perspectives surrounding these issues.

Mordechai Kaplan, a prominent Jewish thinker of the twentieth century, once declared that tradition gets a “vote but not a veto;” we encourage you to use this maxim as a framework for making decisions for your own advance directive: study the Jewish traditions and texts but give yourself permission to deviate from them in order to make the choices that are right for you.

² Rabbi Richard F. Address, 27.

End-of-Life Care

Our Rabbis taught: One who closes [the eyes of a dying person] at the point of death is a murderer. This may be compared to a lamp that is going out: If a man places his finger upon it, it is immediately extinguished.

Babylonian Talmud Shabbat 151b

Judaism teaches us that a dying person (a *goses*: one whose death is imminent within three days' time) is considered to be a living person in all respects and must be treated as such. Our tradition tells us that "even a patient who has agonized for a long time, and he and his family are in great distress, it is forbidden to hasten his death by, for instance, closing his eyes or removing a pillow under his head, or placing objects such as feathers or a synagogue key under his head."³ From this we learn that we are not permitted to hasten death even by a matter of moments.

However, "a physician is only obligated to heal when he/she has some medical treatment to offer the patient. If the patient is dying from an incurable illness and all therapy has failed or is not available, the physician's role changes from that of a curer to that of a carer. Only supportive care is required at that stage such as food and water, good nursing care and maximal psycho-social support."⁴ From this we learn that any and all steps necessary to alleviate pain and suffering should be taken.

Guiding Questions:

- How would you like to be treated in the final stages of life, once you become a *goses*?
- When it is clear that the flame of life is flickering, how will you define "hastening death" versus "alleviating pain?"

³ Shulchan Aruch, Yoreh De'ah 339.1

⁴ Fred Rosner, M.D. *Biomedical Ethics and Jewish Law*, (Hoboken, NJ: KTAV Pub. House, 2001), 232.

Life Support Measures

On the day when Rabbi [Judah the Prince] died the Rabbis decreed a public fast and offered prayers for heavenly mercy. Furthermore they announced that whoever said that Rabbi was dead would be stabbed with a sword. The Rabbi's handmaid ascended the roof and prayed: 'The immortals desire Rabbi [to join them] and the mortals desire Rabbi [to remain with them]; may it be the will [of God] that the mortals may overpower the immortals'. When, however, she saw how often he resorted to the privy, painfully taking off his tefillin and putting them on again, she prayed: 'May it be the will [of the Almighty] that the immortals may overpower the mortals'. As the Rabbis incessantly continued their prayers for [heavenly] mercy she took up a jar and threw it down from the roof to the ground. [For a moment] they ceased praying and the soul of Rabbi departed to its eternal rest.

Baylonian Talmud Ketubot 104a

Just as we are not permitted to hasten death, neither are we allowed to prolong life. Rabbi Moshe Isserles' commentary on the *Shulchan Aruch* teaches that though it is forbidden to take any measures that would hasten the death of a *goses* (such as removing a pillow from under him/her), "if there exists any factor which prevents the soul from departing, such as the sound of a woodcutter near the house or salt on the patient's tongue...it is permitted to remove that factor. This is not considered a positive act but merely the removal of an impediment."⁵

But in modern medicine, what are considered to be impediments to dying? As we continue to advance in technology, we become farther removed from the world of the Rabbis; our dilemmas are far beyond anything they could have imagined. Our tradition understands the

⁵ Remo, Shulchan Aruch, Yoreh De'ah 339.1

codes of Jewish law to be referencing those things that cannot restore a patient to a healthier condition and a better quality of life. Certainly if the possibility exists that medical procedures and/or treatments will enhance a patient's quality of life and return him/her to some form of independent life, we must carefully consider these options.

For example, in response to a question regarding the removal of a feeding tube, Reform Responsa tells us that though the quality of life may not be as good as it once was, if the patient is not dying (he is not yet a *goses*) the withdrawal of treatment is not a viable option.⁶

However, Jewish tradition teaches that "if the procedures are to be used as a means to prolong [the life of] a *goses* and are without therapeutic benefit, then we are under no mandate to use them. Even procedures already in place may be withdrawn or not continued. Our tradition tells us that it is praiseworthy to remove from a *goses* that which impedes the natural process of the soul from departing the body."⁷ Thus, we may surmise that the removal of any and all artificial impediments and medical treatments is a *mitzvah* in such circumstances.

Guiding Questions:

- What kind of life support treatments would you want, and in what circumstances?
- What do you consider to be an impediment to death?

⁶ CCAR Responsa, "Hospital Patient Beyond Recovery" no. 5750.5

⁷ Rabbi Richard F. Address, 33.

Organ Donation

If any human being saves a single soul, Scripture regards him as if he had saved an entire world.

Babylonian Talmud Sanhedrin 37a

Countless examples of Jewish texts tell us that the preservation of life (*pikuach nefesh*) supersedes all other commandments. Indeed, Maimonides tells us that “He who is sick and in danger of death, and the physician tells him that he can be cured by a certain object or material which is forbidden by the Torah, must obey the physician and be cured.”⁸ [Exceptions are limited to materials connected to idolatry, immorality, and bloodshed.⁹]

Though this might seem as though we have carte blanche for organ donation, the Jewish tradition of *kavod ha-meit*, or “honoring the dead” must be taken into consideration as well. Some worry that organ donation might be seen as desecration of the body, or are concerned about the donated organs not being buried with the body. However, former Chief Rabbi of Israel, Isser Yehudah Unterman states that the transplanted tissue is “restored to life and thus not requiring burial with the donor’s remains.”¹⁰

Others worry that organ donation would violate the law of *met asur bahana’ah*, which prohibits using the body of the dead for the benefit of the living.¹¹ However, examination of the word *hana’ah* (benefit) reveals that it connotes a sense of “satisfaction,” specifically the kind of satisfaction one gets from food. As organ transplants do not enter our bodies in the same manner as food, we do not receive “satisfaction” from them in that way; rather we “benefit” from the organ in the broader sense of the word.

Thus, we may understand organ donation not as a violation of Jewish law, but rather an affirmation of Jewish law under the auspices of *pikuach nefesh*. Indeed, Jewish responsa

⁸ Maimonides, Hilchot Yesodei Torah 5.6

⁹ Babylonian Talmud Pesachim 25a

¹⁰ "Contemporary Jewish Opinions on Organ Donation and Transplantation." *UAHC Committee on Bio-Ethics--Program Guide IX, Organ Donation and Transplantation* (UAHC, 1997), 6.

¹¹ Based on Babylonian Talmud Sanhedrin 47a

from all of the major sects of Judaism encourage organ donation. In a 1991 decision, the Rabbinical Council of America (Orthodox) encourages organ donation:

“...no halachic barriers exist to donation of the deceased if they are harvested in accord with the highest standard of dignity and propriety....since organs that can be life saving may be donated, the family is urged to do so. When human life can be saved, it must be saved....The halacha therefore looks with great favor on those who facilitate the procurement of life-saving organ donations.”

The Reform Movement has long since supported organ donation and transplantation. In 1996, the Union for Reform Judaism initiated the program, “Matan Chaim: The Gift of Life” to promote organ and tissue transplantation.

“The advances in medical technology have allowed us the choice to dignify, sanctify, and sustain lives in ways that were impossible just a few years ago. We encourage you to imbue this miracle of transplantation with a sense of holiness, purpose and life. Jewish tradition teaches that we are partners with God in continuing and sustaining the daily miracles of creation. Organ and tissue donations are an extension of this partnership. Through donation, you have the unique and holy opportunity to bestow the gift of life and wellness from one of God’s creations—you—to another. With your gift, you are responding Hineini (Here I Am!) to God’s call.”¹²

Guiding Questions:

- Do you wish to become an organ and/or tissue donor?
- Which specific organs and/or tissues would you like to donate?

¹² Union for Reform Judaism. *Matan Chaim: The Gift of Life*. New York: Union for Reform Judaism, 2012.

Advance Medical Directive Resources

- A. The URJ's *Matan Chaim*: The Gift of Life Organ and Tissue Donation:
<https://www.matnaschaim.org/>
- B. Donate Life's Donor Card and Family Notification Card (next page)

Donate Life

Your Organ and Tissue Donor Card

You can indicate your wishes to be a donor by signing and carrying this donor card. It is considered a legal document for people age 18 and older. However, in the event of your death, your family or legal next-of-kin will be asked to give consent for donation. Ask family members to witness the card and be sure to discuss your wishes with them.



MY COMMITMENT TO DONATE LIFE UNIFORM DONOR CARD

I, _____, have spoken to my family about organ and tissue donation. The following people have witnessed my commitment to be a donor.
I wish to donate the following:

☐ Any needed organs and tissue
☐ Only the following organs and tissue: _____

DONOR
SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

WITNESS _____

WITNESS _____



Your Family Notification Card

This card should be completed and given to your family members or next-of-kin so that there is no question about your decision to be a donor. It is very important that your family understand your wishes and also for you to understand the wishes of your loved ones.

For more information visit www.DonateLife.net



FAMILY NOTIFICATION FORM



Dear _____,
(family)

I would like to donate LIFE by being an organ and tissue donor. I want you to know my decision because you will be consulted before donation can take place.

I wish to donate the following:

☐ any needed organs and tissue
☐ only the following organs and tissue: _____

Thank you for honoring my commitment to donate LIFE through organ and tissue donation.

DONOR
SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Burial & Interment Wishes

And when the time approached for Israel to die, he summoned his son Joseph and said to him, "Do me this favor, place your hand under my thigh as a pledge of your steadfast loyalty: please do not bury me in Egypt. When I lie down with my fathers, take me up from Egypt and bury me in their burial-place."

Genesis 47:29-30

Just as advance directives provide a structure for the way in which we wish to pass from this world to the next, so too do advance preparations for funeral services and interment provide a structure for how we understand the concept of *kavod ha-meit* (honoring the dead).

The Torah provides the basis for many of the Jewish customs surrounding death and mourning. From Genesis, we learn that we will return to the earth, "for from it you were taken, for dust you are, and to dust you shall return."¹³

Traditional Judaism provides instructions for how the body should be handled from the end of one's life until burial. These customs (many of which will be discussed in subsequent pages of this section), are numerous and meticulously detailed. Again, we encourage you to give these traditional practices "a vote but not a veto;" if you do not derive meaning from these customs, offer alternatives that exemplify your values. Reform Judaism supports the principle of autonomy.

It is important to let your loved ones know how you would like your body to be handled after death. The following pages will present you with the traditional views of these traditions and rituals, and then ask you to consider which (if any) of these would be

¹³ Genesis 3:19

appropriate for you.¹⁴ We encourage you to speak with your loved ones regarding these choices, so they will have a record of your preferences when the need arises.

Burial vs. Cremation

Let me pay the price of the land; accept it from me, that I may bury my dead there...And then Abraham buried his wife Sarah in the cave of the field of Machpelah, facing Mamre—now Hebron—in the land of Canaan.

Genesis 23:12-20

Traditional Jewish Law maintains that the dead must be buried in the earth, a belief that is evidenced by the commandment, “you shall surely bury him.”¹⁵ Historically, the purchase of land for a cemetery was often one of the first acts of establishing a Jewish community.

Traditional Jews read the Torah to say that it “absolutely and unqualifiedly insists on the natural decomposition of the remains. The wood of the casket, the cloth of the shrouds, the un-embalmed body to decompose in nature’s own steady way. No artificiality—and no slowing or hurrying of this process—is permitted. The world goes on at its own pace. Those who die follow the flow of nature and the world.”¹⁶

As the Rabbis believe that burial is non-negotiable, naturally they prohibit cremation. However, the Torah, the Talmud, and the classical halakhic literature do not explicitly prohibit cremation; likely this was because it was not a normative practice at the time these sources were written. In the nineteenth century, however, this practice became more widespread in western culture prompting rabbinic authorities to examine the practice. Halakhic authorities prohibit cremation on the grounds that it a) does not fulfill the

¹⁴ Worksheet questions adapted from Rabbi Richard Address, 6.

¹⁵ Deuteronomy 21:23

¹⁶ Maurice Lamm, *The Jewish Way in Death and Mourning*. Revised Edition ed (New York: J. David, 2000), 55.

commandment to bury the dead, and b) desecrates the body and does not show the proper *kavod ha-meit* (respect for the dead).

However, cremation has become an increasingly popular choice in recent years among liberal Jews. We recognize the validity of either option; the choice of burial or cremation is highly personal and we encourage you to make the decision that is right for you.

Burial Preparations

As we came forth, so shall we return.

Ecclesiastes 5:14

The *Chevra Kadisha**, or the burial society, is a group of men and women who are responsible for the preparation of the dead for interment. Preparation for burial includes three steps: *taharah* (the ritual washing and purification of the body), *tachrichim* (dressing the body), and *shemirah* (guarding the body).

Just as a newborn child is washed immediately after birth so that he/she may enter this world clean and pure, so too must we cleanse and purify the body before burial (as specified in Ecclesiastes). *Taharah* consists of a meticulous cleansing of the body while prayers are recited asking God for forgiveness for any sins the deceased may have committed and beseeching God to grant him/her eternal peace.

With regards to *tachrichim*, "Jewish tradition recognizes the democracy of death. It therefore demands that all Jews be buried in the same type of garment. Wealthy or poor, all are equal before God, and that which determines their reward is not what they wear, but who they are. Nineteen hundred years ago, Rabbi Gamaliel instituted this practice so that the poor would not be shamed and the wealthy would not vie with each other to display the most costly burial clothes....The clothes should be simple, handmade, perfectly clean, and white. These shrouds symbolize purity, simplicity, and dignity. Shrouds have no pockets.

They, therefore, can hold no material wealth.”¹⁷ In addition, it is traditional for a person to be buried with his/her *tallit* (prayer shawl).

Jewish tradition dictates that the body be guarded from the time of death until burial. The individual serving as the *shomer* (guard) is exempted from all prayers and other religious obligations as he/she is already engaged in performing a *mitzvah*. Though this custom originated from the desire to protect the body from animals, it is still a widespread practice; the *shomer* reads psalms, recites prayers, or studies sacred texts while in the presence of the body with the hope that they will help ease the soul’s transition from this world to the next.

**for information on the local Chevra Kadisha, please contact one of the Jewish funeral homes.*

¹⁷ Maurice Lamm, 12.

The Casket

[They heard the sound of God moving about in the garden at the breezy time of day; and the man and his wife hid from Adonai among the trees of the garden (Gen. 3:8)]. 'Amongst the trees of the Garden,' Rabbi Levi said, 'This was a sign for his descendants that they would be placed within wooden coffins.'

Genesis Rabbah 19:8

Just as all people are buried in the same shrouds so as to affirm death as the great equalizer, so too does tradition specify that Jews should be buried in plain wooden caskets. The Talmud illustrates this desire for democracy in death through a story:

"Formerly, they used to bring out the deceased for burial, the rich on a tall state bed, ornamented and covered with rich coverlets; the poor on a plain bier. The poor felt ashamed. Therefore, a law was established that all should be brought out on a plain bier..."¹⁸

Similar to that which was discussed with regards to cremation, Jewish tradition emphasizes the importance of the natural decomposition of the remains. A wooden casket will decompose at a rate similar to that of the body and the shroud; metal (or similar materials) would delay the process.

The type or quality of the wood is not important. Many use the traditional "plain pine box," however this is left to individual discretion, as is the choice of polished or unpolished wood.

There are cemeteries that require a cement vault. In keeping with Jewish tradition, holes are drilled in the bottom of the vault to allow for the natural return to the earth.

¹⁸ Babylonian Talmud Moed Katan 27a-b

My Burial and Interment Wishes

1. I would like my body to be:

(a) _____ Buried

(b) _____ Cremated

(c) _____ Other _____

2. If you chose cremation, would you like your cremains to be:

(a) _____ Buried

(b) _____ Placed in an urn to be kept with the family

(c) _____ Other _____

3. Location of the service:

(a) _____ The funeral home

(b) _____ The synagogue

(c) _____ The graveside

4. I would like the following songs, music, poetry, etc. at my funeral:

5. I would like the following person(s) to give the eulogy at my service:

6. Attendees:

- (a) _____ Public
(b) _____ Private

7. Flowers:

- (a) _____ Yes
(b) _____ No

8. Donations in my memory should be made to:

9. Things I would like to be buried with (jewelry, possessions, soil from Israel, etc.):

10. Casket:

- (a) _____ Wooden Casket
(b) _____ Other, specifically _____

11. I would like to have *taharah* (ritual washing and purification of the body):

- (a) _____ Yes
(b) _____ No

12. I would like to have *tachrichim* (dressing the body in traditional shrouds):

- (a) _____ Yes
(b) _____ No, I would like to be dressed in _____

13. I would like to have a *shomer* (guard) with me during the time between death and burial:

(a) _____ Yes

(b) _____ No

14. I would like to have *kevuah* (covering of the grave with dirt by family and friends):

(a) _____ Yes

(b) _____ No

15. I would like mourners to observe *keriah* (symbolic tearing of the clothes or ribbon):

(a) _____ Yes

(b) _____ No

16. Gravemarker:

(a) Material (stone, bronze, etc.) _____

(b) Decoration _____

(c) Inscription _____

17. Gravesite:

(a) _____ Family Plot, located _____

(b) _____ Family Tomb, located _____

(c) _____ Previously purchased, located _____

18. I have made funeral preparations:

(a) _____ Yes , at _____

(b) _____ No

19. Other Wishes (for funeral or burial):

[illegible]

Directory of St. Louis Jewish Funeral Chapels and

Cemeteries

**Burial of cremains is permitted*

^ Burial of non-Jewish family members is permitted

#Burial of Jews converted by rabbis of all denominations permitted

1. Berger Memorial Chapel

9430 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63132

Phone: 314-254-6049

Web: www.bergermemorialchapel.com

4. Beth Shalom Cemetery #*

650 White Road

Saint Louis, MO 63017

Phone: (314) 469-1891

Website: <http://chesedshelemeth.org>

2. Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery

7550 Olive Blvd

St. Louis, MO 63130

Phone: (314) 721-4658

OR

650 White Road

Chesterfield, MO 63017

Phone: (314) 469-1891

Website: www.chesedshelemeth.org

5. Beth Hamedrosh Hagadol

9125 Ladue Rd

St. Louis, MO 63124

Phone: (314) 991-0264

6. Beth Olam Cemetery * ^ #

740 N Mason Rd. in Creve Coeur

St. Louis, MO 63141

Phone: (314) 434-3933

3. Rindskopf-Roth Funeral Chapel

5216 Delmar Blvd

St. Louis, MO 63108

Phone: 314-367-0438

Website: www.rindskopfroth.com

7. United Hebrew Cemetery * ^ #

7855 Canton (at North and South Rd.)

St. Louis, MO 63130

Phone: 314-469-0700

8. **Chevra Kadisha Ohave Shalom
Cemetery**

7400 Olive Road

St. Louis, MO 63130

Phone: 314.721.0026

9. **Chevra Kadisha Cemetery**

1601 North and South Rd.

St. Louis, MO 63130

Phone: 314.427.0160

Web: www.chevrakadishacemetery.org

10. **New Mt. Sinai Cemetery * ^#**

8430 Gravois Rd.

St. Louis, 63123

Phone: 314-353-2540

Website: www.newmtsinaicemetery.org

11. **St. Louis Cremation (St. Louis)**

2135 Chouteau Avenue

St. Louis, MO 63103

Phone: (314) 241-8844

12. **St. Louis Cremation (Ballwin)**

15001 Manchester Road

Ballwin, MO 63011

Phone: (636) 227-4488

13. **Cremation Society of St. Louis**

10305 Big Bend Road

St. Louis, MO 63122

Phone: (314) 205-0022

Part 3: The Ethical Will

Rabbi Shimon says: there are three crowns: the crown of the Torah, the crown of priesthood, and the crown of royalty, by the crown of a good name is greater than all. Pirkei Avot 4:17

In a place where there is no mensch, be a mensch. 2:6

Let all your deeds be for the sake of Heaven. 2:17

Nothing can spare us from the grief we suffer from the loss of a loved one; nothing can change the fact that they are no longer with us. We accept that we—as human beings—cannot live forever, but our values, our teachings, and our truths can. Our core values and beliefs can endure; the ways in which we walked through life can serve as inspiration to those we love. These comprise our true legacies.

An Ethical Will is a living legacy; it is a document that captures our most important insights and values. It communicates how we wish to be remembered, and imparts our hopes and dreams for future generations. For our loved ones, reading an ethical will is like hearing our voice when we are no longer there to speak; it provides comfort when we can no longer be the comforter.

The tradition of writing ethical wills is grounded in the Torah text itself. Jacob gathers his children around his bedside to impart his final words, instructing them on how they should live their lives once he is gone. The book of Deuteronomy is a transcript of Moses' farewell speech to the Israelites. On his deathbed, David gives Solomon advice, and implores him to finish those things that David was unable to accomplish in his lifetime.

Each ethical will is unique; there is no set format, no formal requirements. Oftentimes, ethical wills take the form of a letter, but you may decide to preserve your legacy in some other format; audio recordings, videos, paintings, quilts, and more may all be good options. Ethical wills are frequently written from parent to child (but can also be written to siblings and other close family members or friends). Topics might range from forgiveness for

transgressions, summaries of one's life (including significant milestones, memories, etc.), expressions of gratitude, important life lessons, and meaningful Jewish practices, teachings, and values.

We urge you to think about the legacy that you would like to leave, the way in which you would like to be remembered, and the teachings that you want to pass on to future generations. The following pages include samples of ethical wills, followed by questions intended to guide your thinking about your own ethical will(s).

Samples of Ethical Wills

These excerpts come from Ethical Wills, A Modern Treasury, by Jack Riemer and Nathaniel Stampfer.¹⁹

To My Beloved Children,

Fixed are a man's years on earth, determined are his days of travail. Yet no man knows his span, like fish held fast in the net. I have therefore decided to search my heart to consider my lifetime and all my labor under the sun to this day; to describe all this and relate to my children the troubles that have overtaken me during the years of my life. At the time, each of the troubles delivered a hammer-blow to my head. But now, with the passage of time, I regard them as vain trifles one and all. They are all gone now, like a dream that has fled, leaving no trace. Indeed, a contemplative man understands that one need not be overwhelmed by human failure any more than by some success that he may experience. For time erases everything and in the course of years all is borne away on the wind, forgotten. All but the loving-kindness of the Almighty, who sustains us in life and puts no stumbling blocks before our feet.

Isaac Komiansky, July 1888

To My Wife,

I know: When I die, for you I shall continue to live. No one will take me from your faithful and tender heart. But if you meet a comrade who understands your sorrow, and you love him a bit and your life brings forth a new life and a son is born to you—give him and let him carry my name and let him be my continuation.

Avraham Kreitzman, killed in Israel's War of Independence

To My Family,

¹⁹ Jack Riemer. *Ethical Wills: A Modern Jewish Treasury*. Ed. Nathaniel Stampfer and Jack Riemer. Schocken Books, 1983.

Whenever death shall come, it will find me unafraid. I pray that it may find me ready. I have ever tried so to live that I might be prepared to meet my God. I love life and the exquisite gifts of work, of play, of joy, of chastening, of light, of laughter, and most of all, of love that it has brought me. I am, and have always been, deeply grateful for the abundance of life with which I have been blessed. Life has been inexpressibly sweet to me. Yet, come death when it may, I yield up life as gladly, as gratefully, as I have accepted its gift for the while...it would be selfish to ask for more.

Rabbi David De Sola Pool, 1885

My Life Experiences

525,600 minutes, 525,600 moments so dear. 525,600 minutes - how do you measure, measure a year? In daylights, in sunsets, in midnights, in cups of coffee. In inches, in miles, in laughter, in strife. In 525,600 minutes - how do you measure a year in the life? How about love?

Jonathan Larson, "Seasons of Love"

We are our life experiences; they paint a portrait of who we are. We learn something from every interaction, from every encounter. How have these experiences changed us? How did they help us to grow and mature? In understanding our own experiences we may begin to understand ourselves; only then can we begin to impart our stories, values, and wisdom to future generations.

Questions to Consider

1. I (___have/___have not) attached a more comprehensive ethical will.
2. Who were/are the important people in my life
3. What did I learn from them?
4. Which events stand out in my memory? Why?
5. What events were the most painful? Why?
6. What events were the most joyful? Why?
7. What events were the most frustrating?
8. What did I learn from them?
9. How can my life experiences help me impart lessons to future generations?
10. I would like to be remembered for...

My Core Values

Tradition is not just what we inherit from the past; it is also what we create and pass on to the future. Tradition necessarily implies process, the continual forging of links on an unending chain.

Marcia Falk

“In order to leave a legacy that matters, we need to know what we value in life. Integrity, optimism, compassion, self-sufficiency, courage, creativity, honesty—your list of values may be long indeed. Values are principles to which we are committed, characteristics that we admire, or vows that we strive to uphold. Some values have been part of us since childhood; others have arisen out of life experiences and influential relationships.

But values also include the things we love most about our lives—a good book, coffee on the porch, a raucous family get-together, an intimate conversation, playing with our grandchildren. These make our lives worth living, and it is our love of life that we want to communicate in our legacies.”²⁰

In answering the following questions, consider all of the significant aspects of your life: family, relationships, work, education, faith, religion, hopes, dreams, meaning, generosity, culture, etc.

Questions to Consider

1. What do I value?
2. What do I believe?
3. What am I committed to?
4. What matters most in my life?
5. What are the blessings in my life?
6. What brings me joy?

²⁰ Rachel Freed. *Women's Lives, Women's Legacies: Passing Your Beliefs and Blessings to Future Generations, Creating Your Own Spiritual-ethical Will*. (Minneapolis: Fairview Press, 2003),142.

Living My Values

We must be sure to tell our children about the goodness of people, to express again and again...that our individual acts of kindness make a difference.

Anne Roiphe

The way in which we live our lives is the clearest indicator of our core values and beliefs. What do our actions demonstrate? If we value family, we might demonstrate this through cooking family dinners, through taking the time to call regularly. If we value *tikkun olam*, we might engage in service projects or lobby for change in the areas that matter most to us.

Questions to Consider

1. What am I proud of?
2. What do I take pride in?
3. When do I feel proud?
4. What do my activities say about me?
5. When do I feel valued, and why?
6. When do I feel fulfilled?
7. What experiences have changed me? Why?
8. What values do my actions reflect?

Advice for Future Generations

Our Rabbis taught: A parent has the following obligations towards their children--to enter them into the covenant, to redeem them, to teach them Torah, to find them a sacred partner, and to teach them a craft or a trade. And there are some who say that they must also teach them how to swim.

Babylonian Talmud Kiddushin 29a

The Talmud tells us that we are responsible for shaping the lives of our children – we care for them in their youth, we provide them with an education, we help them find their own career paths, we demonstrate the importance of family, and we teach them how to take care of themselves. We are responsible for passing on our moral and ethical instructions to our children.

Questions to Consider

1. What teachings did I receive from my family?
2. What teachings did I receive from my community?
3. What teachings did I receive from my Jewish heritage?
4. Which of these do I want to pass on to future generations
5. What is the most important thing I've learned in my life?
6. What do I wish I would have learned sooner?
7. What advice can I give to future generations?
8. What are the life lessons I hope to pass on?

Part 4: Philanthropic Legacy

One day when he [Choni] was journeying on the road and he saw a man planting a carob tree, he asked him, "How long does it take [for this tree] to bear fruit?" The man replied: "Seventy years." He then further asked him: "Are you certain that you will live another seventy years?" The man replied: "I found [ready grown] carob trees in the world; as my forefathers planted these for me so I too plant these for my children."

Babylonian Talmud Ta'anit 23a

In 1984, a small group of friends gathered to discuss the need for a new congregation in St. Louis, one that would be rooted in their highest ideals, one that embraced inclusiveness and was committed to *tikkun olam*. A community that would renew the Jewish presence in the City of St. Louis. A congregation where like-minded people could worship, study and work to repair the world. It would be a place to celebrate the milestones of their lives, find comfort in times of sorrow, and raise children according to their shared values.

Central Reform Congregation has grown from a handful of dreamers to a large and vibrant community, thanks to the vision and investment of these pioneers and the many others who have joined in the years since. Today, we touch thousands of lives each year and are making a real difference for the common good in the City of St. Louis and beyond. Our core values – a deep sense of community, respect for diversity, and commitment to social responsibility – shine through in all that we do. Some of the children whose parents founded our congregation are now raising their own children at CRC.

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In this hour we, the living, are the people of Israel. The tasks, begun by our ancestors and prophets and continued by their descendants, are now entrusted to us. We are either the last Jews or those who will hand over the entire past to generations to come. We will either forfeit or enrich the legacy of ages.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

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Notes



Ethical Wills: A Very Short Guide

What is an ethical will?

The concept of an ethical will, or “Zava’ah” in Hebrew, goes back to the time of Jacob. Ethical wills can be considered a 3,500-year-old tradition. In the Torah, Jacob gathers his 12 sons around him while on his deathbed and gives them an oral ethical will in which he articulates moral guidance and burial instructions. Jacob requests not to be buried in Egypt but in Canaan, in the cave of Machpelah with his ancestors. He also offers his children a final blessing.

In the middle ages, The Rambam, Nachmanides, and other great scholars would leave a Zava’ah – an ethical will to their students. Detailing life lessons learned and their expectations of their students. In modern times, ethical wills have been written by men and women of every walk of life, detailing their moral understanding of the world, and their hope for future generations. Writing an ethical will can give you a deeply meaningful experience, while engaging with your own mortality.

That sounds like it’s for Very Serious People. Why should we do it?

An ethical will is a living document that you can start, stop, revisit and rewrite. This makes them ideal for young couples (and families). They’re a way to think about the values you want to see manifest in your lives as individuals and together. They’re a way to talk about what matters to you from the traditions you both grew up with and what you want to change, cultivate and discard. There’s no way doing this won’t bring you closer as a couple or family. And it’ll be a great way to look back over your lives together when you are old.

What could we possibly say that someone will remember?

*We promise that something you say will live on. You can’t *necessarily* control what that will be. Take Judah The Pious. You’ve never heard of him, but if anyone you know is an Ashkenazi Jew, you’ve probably heard about his ethical will. He’s the guy who said you should not name a child for a living relative. He was also obsessed with witches.*

How Jewish do we have to be to write an ethical will?

You do not need to be any kind of Jewish. You can both be Jewish and do it, but you could be bringing together different faith traditions, no faith traditions, very conservative or very liberal ones. Bring all your stuff. (And remember that if you do identify as Jewish, your Judaism is yours to define and it is legitimate. There are no “bad Jews” here.)



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- What are each of our core beliefs and values?
- How have these beliefs and values manifested themselves in our lives? Are there further ways we'd like them to?
- What teachings from our parents, grandparents or siblings that speak to us do we want to pass on?
- What 2 or 3 life lessons need to be written down?
- What are we grateful for in life?
- Sometimes imagining that you only have a limited time left brings to mind the things in life that are truly important – what are those things for you?

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The present volume, being a selection from the Ethical Wills of Jewish worthies, is the first collection of its kind brought together. Such Wills, whose beginnings are found in the Bible, have a continuous history throughout Jewish literature and were also known in Christian and Mohammedan circles. The text and translation are from the pen of Doctor Israel Abrahams, Reader of Rabbis at the University of Cambridge. The work of Doctor Abrahams was carried on under many difficulties and exacting labors in other directions and the proofs were read during the summer of 1925, shortly before his lamented death. Doctor Abrahams read the

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first proof and while the pages did not have the advantage of his revisions, no material additions or alterations have been made by the Committee.

It is a source of great sorrow to the members of the Committee that this gifted man did not live to see the issuance of a volume which contains the fruition of studies begun by him more than thirty-five years ago. May not this work be considered as his last Testament to two generations of students and readers whom he instructed and delighted?

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For I have known him, to the end that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of the Lord, to do righteousness and justice; to the end that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him.

(Genesis 18.19)

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INTRODUCTION

THE present volume includes specimens which, either as complete texts or as extracts, are representative of the type of literature known as Ethical Wills.

The practice of *writing* testamentary directions for the religious and secular guidance of children cannot be traced with certainty earlier than the twelfth century. The oldest, however, is usually dated as belonging to about the year 1050. But the habit of addressing *verbal* counsels is, of course, very much more ancient.

What shall he murmur with his latest breath,
When his proud eye looks through the film of death?

asks Keats when, towards the close of his brief life, he allowed his despondency to doubt the value of the poet's service. The moralist has usually been of more robust faith. Through the ages he has felt the longing to convey to his offspring at the end the ideals which he himself has striven after from the beginning. The Bible records several such instances. Prominently among these may be mentioned the blessing of Jacob, the dying requests of Joseph to his brethren, the addresses of Moses and Joshua to the people of Israel, the advice of David to his son Solomon, the ascetic restriction imposed against the use of wine or settled abodes by Jonadab son of Rechab, and such injunctions as that of the

prophet of Bethel to his sons (I Kings 13.31). The injunctions contained in the Wisdom Literature, and especially in the first nine chapters of Proverbs, are cast in the form of admonitions by the sage, in the guise of father, to the disciple, in the aspect of son. Very interesting is it to note that in the Book of Proverbs, the mother also appears in the guise of counsellor.

Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father,
And forsake not the teaching of thy mother
(1.8).

There is, further, the remarkable 'burden where-with his mother corrected' king Lemuel, in the last chapter of Proverbs. To this must be added the ever-memorable instance of the mother of the Maccabean martyrs (2 Macc. 7), whose brave encouragement of her sons in the moment of death justifies the historian's description of her (verse 20): 'but above all was the mother marvelous.' And though the Jewish Ethical Wills are predominantly paternal, the maternal genre has survived into recent time, as in the *Zeker 'Olam* of Rebekah Luria (Jerusalem, 1891).

The Apocrypha still further develops the ethical testament. The address of the dying Mat-thathias to his five sons is matched in pathos and excelled in beauty by the counsels of Tobit when he sent his son on a mission from which he scarce expected to live to see him return. The fourth chapter of Tobit can, indeed, no longer be described as the oldest specimen of the Jewish ethical will. Much earlier, at least as soon as 400 B. C., comes the story of Aḥiḳar, a long section of which consists of that very species of exhortation,

directly spoken to a son, which is characteristic of the type of literature which we are considering. So ingrained was the habit that the Maccabean period gives us several pseudepigraphic specimens. Thus the Book of Jubilees contains some, so does Enoch xci, the Apocalypse of Moses, and above all the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs. And the death scenes in the Talmud continue the record of the fondness of the Jewish parent for this method of offering counsels of perfection from one generation to the next.

The importance of the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs, as a pre-Christian Jewish document, has only become realized of recent years. These apocryphal last words and admonitions of the twelve sons of Jacob were long regarded as of Christian origin; they are now generally considered to be Jewish with some later interpolations. The reader will find these points discussed by Dr. K. Kohler in the *Jewish Encyclopedia* (vol. xii, p. 113). The date usually assigned to parts at least of the Testaments is the reign of John Hyrcanus. Dr. Charles very definitely assigns the year 109-107 B. C. for the original Jewish work. The Testaments have close parallels to passages in the New Testament. Their ethical worth is high. Dr. Kohler ably characterizes the moral of the Testaments, in which "each of the twelve sons of Jacob delivers a farewell address, giving an account of such of his experiences as offer some lesson, either warning against sins that he had committed or exhorting to virtues that he had practised." Thus: Reuben's theme is Unchastity; Simeon's, Envy; Levi's, the Priesthood and Pride;

Judah's, Courage, etc; Issachar's, Simplicity; Zebulun's, Compassion; Dan's, Anger; Napthali's, Natural Goodness; Gad's, Hatred; Asher's, the Two Characters of Vice and Virtue; Joseph's, Chastity; Benjamin's, Purity of Heart. Another ancient document, the *Didachê*, is similarly of Jewish provenance with Christian changes, but the least characteristically Jewish factor in the *Didachê* is the compiler's mode of addressing the proselyte as 'my son'.

Thus the ethical testament has a long and continuous history in Jewish literature. That literature did not monopolize the genre. The Arabs held the ethical will (included under the general title "Wasaya") in such high esteem that they would ascribe documents of the kind to revered sages like Lokman. In Christian circles, too, we find similar phenomena. In 717 Bishop Egwin spent several days before his death in exhorting his monks and other disciples. Similarly with Abbot Gildas and Joachim de Flore. In the preambles of many Christian wills may be found declarations of faith, directions as to burial which belong to the same category. The letter of Sir Henry Sidney to his son Philip (written in 1566) may be also cited as an illustrative parallel. The age of the Renaissance was rich in such products.

Despite these, and other parallels, the ethical will is in a sense a distinctive Jewish genre. The word used (צִוְיָה from צִוָּה, piel צִוָּה, *to command*) is the same as describes the ordinary will. But it derives from texts which give the ethical

key-note of the special type. Isaiah bids Hezekiah, who was sick unto death, "Set thy house in order" (literally "command thy house," Isa. 38.1). The same word is used in the charge of Moses (Deut. 32.46). But most operative of all texts in this connection has been Gen. 18.19, where God says of Abraham: "I have known him (Abraham) to the end that he may *command* his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of the Lord." This text (which is printed in Hebrew and English as the motto of the present book) has inspired many a Jewish parent in after centuries, and it has been made the basis of an actual rubric in modern Jewish codes. It has been held to enjoin on every father the bounden duty to leave moral exhortations for his children's guidance. This feeling is well brought out in the following Midrash. "Jacob felt that his end was near, and besought the divine mercy: Ruler of the World, he cried, Take not my soul until I have exhorted my children. And his wish was granted." A similar gracious impulse led many a Rabbi to offer dying instructions to his disciples and community. In imitation of Moses it was held obligatory for a teacher, before his demise, to impart abundantly of his wisdom, a duty which Moses Recanati beautifully quotes at the end of his commentary on Deuteronomy.

These wills have been spoken of as continuous. Seeing, however, that most of them were *verbal*, it is not surprising that there are gaps in the literary records. Amid all the wealth of past lore which the Cairo Geniza brought to light,

not a single instance of an ethical will has been discovered. This merely implies that they were not written down or preserved, not that they were unspoken.

Both the occasion and the motive of these testaments differ. Sometimes they were written when the father was near death, at other times when he was separated from his family by the exigencies of travel. Especially when about to go to Palestine, or when arrived there, letters of admonition might be despatched. Sometimes the parent would write his testament at a comparatively early age, and modify and expand it as years passed by. Occasionally the testament would take the form of an elaborate treatise on ritual and ethics. Here and there a father would content himself with directions for his burial; mostly such directions would be incorporated in a longer testament. Sometimes the testament would be intended for the son, sometimes for a whole family, sometimes for the public.

The testaments give an intimate insight into the personal religion of Jews in various ages. The wills convey much information as to social life, the position of women, habits of dress and domestic economy, schemes of education, and indeed as to the many interests of business and culture.

All these topics can be studied with effect in the testaments, and the present writer may refer to an essay of his own in the third volume of the first series of the *Jewish Quarterly Review*. He hopes also to print, on a subsequent occasion, a complete bibliography and running synopsis of the

large number of wills now known to him from actual perusal. The present volume contains a small fraction of the whole, nineteenth century wills being excluded by the scheme of the series. But even so, the testaments show, in a striking manner, the popularity of just those elements of the rabbinic literature which, in a special sense, may be termed ethical. The favorite quotations are beyond question the finest passages. It is necessary to call attention to this, because the wills naturally differ very considerably in point of view. In some the outstanding influence is scholasticism, in others mysticism, in others the modernism of the Mendelssohn type. Very interesting is it to witness the gradual and constant growth of affection for Maimonides. It is superfluous, however, to enter into fuller details, seeing that the texts speak for themselves. A bibliographical descriptive note is prefixed to each. The selection is mainly the editor's own, but he received valuable suggestions from the Committee, and to them as to Prof. Reuben Levy he is indebted for assistance in correcting the proofs.

The texts themselves reflect the phases of Jewish experience and the literary and moral reactions to it through many centuries. But whatever the passing indications of contemporary manners and thought, the Jewish code of morality remains essentially the same throughout. There is never a sordid thought or hateful sentiment, though there may be occasional narrowness of horizon. Intellectually some may be comparatively low, morally all are high. Indeed

if one were writing apologetically, one could find in the confidential pronouncements which constitute the testaments a most effective vindication of the Jewish character.

לקוטים מתלמוד ומדרש

SELECTIONS FROM THE EARLY
RABBINIC LITERATURE

I

SELECTIONS FROM THE EARLY RABBINIC LITERATURE

The early rabbinic literature records the passing of many heroic figures—heroic whether the scene be a restful deathbed or the martyr's stake. Both served as future models. Thus in the present volume, Nathaniel Trabotti, in his last quiet hours, follows the model of the Nasi Judah the first (cf. p. 19 with p. 264 below). On the other hand, Moses Rimos, in face of his more violent taking off, finds encouragement in Akiba's precedent (cf. p. 15f. with p. 247 below). Heroism has its message alike for times of tranquillity and agitation.

Some of the passages which follow are direct quotations of the words of dying teachers. These last words are rarely the best words their authors uttered. Some seem to show a touch of rather smug self-satisfaction, but this appearance is not always accurate. Judah the first, for instance, holds his ten fingers up and claims that he has done no wrong with them, a rather arrogant assumption of virtue. Yet the last Mishnah in Soṭah declares that with Judah the First there ceased "humility and the fear of God", so little was his nature given to self-pride. In some of the sayings we have illustrations of the Jewish view that laws of hygiene are laws of religion. Again some belong in the category of the curious and superstitious rather than to the ethical or literary. But there is more than literary worth to be considered. The ruling passion is strong still in death, and the veteran teacher, surrounded by his disciples, sometimes men more famous than himself, seeks to impart to the last both his worldly wisdom and his exposition of Torah. To impart and to receive. It is the latter consideration that has justified

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בספרות התלמוד והמדרש נמצאים ספורים ע"ד פטירת גבורים רבים—בין שמתו בשלוח והשקט על ערש דוי בין שנהדגו על קדוש השם. אלה ואלה שמשו בתור אנשי מופת לדורות הבאים. כמו שנראה בכרך שלפנינו, נתנאל טרבוט בשלות רגעיו האחרונים הולך בעקבות רבי יהודה הנשיא (השוה דף 19 לרף 264 למטה); ולהפך, משה רימוס, שמת מיתה חטופה ואכזרית, תולה את עצמו באילן הגדול רבי עקיבא (השוה דף 15 וכו' לרף 247 למטה). מעשי גבורה דישומם נכר גם בימי שלום וגם בימי מהומה.

יש דבורים בין אלה הבאים להלן שיצאו מפי מודים גוססים, ובכ"ז דק מעטים מהם הם מן המעודה והמובחר שיצא מפייהם. יש מהם המגלים קורטוב של ספוק עצמי מוצנע, אבל לפעמים כל זה הוא רק למראית עין. יהודה הנשיא, למשל, זוקף את עשר אצבעותיו כלפי מעלה ואומר שלא נהנה אפילו באצבע קטנה—הלא זו תפיסת יושר שיש בה משום יהירות. ובכ"ז המשנה האחרונה בסוטה סבורה כי, משמת רבי בטלה ענוה וידאת חטא, כל כך היה טבעו רחוק מן הגאווה והיהירות. יש מימרות המבליטות את השקפת היהודים שתורת הבריאות הוא תורת הדת; ויש עוד כאלה השייכות לממלכת הדברים הזרים והאמונות הטפלות יותר מאשר לדברי מוסר ועניני ספרות. אכן לא די להבחין רק את הערך הספרותי של הדברים האלה. התאווה השליטה היא עזה גם בשעת המות, והרבי המנוסה המיסב בחברת תלמידיו, אשר לפעמים הם יותר מפורסמים ממנו, משתדל לתת עד רגעו האחרון מחכמתו הכללית ומפירושו על התורה. ולא דק לתת כי גם לקבל. מפני הטעם האחרון

the inclusion of one or two scenes, not necessarily final scenes, in which the Rabbi on a bed of sickness is visited by pupils and colleagues and asks for their report of the doings in the Academy. This act of receiving belongs to the testamentary category almost as fully as does the act of giving counsel.

Another series of extracts contains the explanations given by Rabbis of their longevity. Juniors inquire and the seniors answer. The answers easily fall within the scope of this volume, for they are in essence advice in the science of life by those whose tenure of life is near its end. Some of the answers are strange enough, but they have a value of their own on the moral side and as elements in contemporary folk-lore. The editor himself did not plan the inclusion of these early rabbinic passages, for they need ampler discussion than is here possible. But he acquiesced in the Committee's desire so as to make the selection more representative.

It has not seemed necessary to enter into biographical details regarding the Rabbis cited. Articles on most of them will be found in the Jewish Encyclopedia, while their teaching is displayed and expounded in Bacher's works on the Hagada. In the notes to the Hebrew text, V. refers to variant readings in the editions, and M. to the readings of the Munich MS.

1

ELEAZAR B. HYRKANOS AND JOHANAN B. ZAKKAI.

Our Rabbis have taught: When R. Eleazar was ill, his disciples went in to visit him.¹ They said unto him: Our Master, teach us the Ways

¹ For the version given in Sanhedrin 68a, see p. 7 below.

נכללו פה ספור אחד או שנים שאין להם יחס כלל לקץ החיים, כי בהם הרבי שוכב על ערש דוי ותלמידיו וחבריו באים לבקרו והוא שואל אותם מהנעשה בבית המדרש. המעשה הזה של קבלת עצה הוא חלק מסוג הצואה לא פחות מן המעשה של נתינת עצה.

סדר אחר של לקוטים מכיל סברות רבנן לאריכות ימים. הצעירים שואלים והזקנים משיבים. התשובות האלה יש להן יחס ישר אל הכרך שלפנינו, יען כי בעקרון הן עצות להבנת החיים ע"י אנשים אשר חיהם קרבים אל קצם. אחרות מן התשובות זרות הן למדי, אבל יש להן ערך מיוחד מן הצד המוסרי ובתור יסודות בפולקלור של הימים ההם. העורך עצמו לא היה בדעתו להוסיף את הלקוטים האלה של חכמי התלמוד והמדרש, יען כי דורשים הם חקירה יותר עמוקה מאשר אפשר לתת פה, אבל הוא נכנע לחפץ הועד בכדי לעשות את הלקוט יותר כולל ומקיף.

לא חשבתי לנחוץ לתת פרטים מתולדות תלמידי החכמים הבאים להלן. רובם מפורטים באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, והוראותיהם נדרשות בספריו של באכער על האגדה. בהערותי לנוסח העברי V משמש לשינויים במהדורות, M למקראות של כת"י מינכען.

א

רבי אליעזר בן הורקנוס ור' יוחנן בן זכאי

תנו רבנן כשחלה ר' אליעזר נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. אמרו לו. רבינו. למדנו אורחות חיים

of Life, whereby we may be worthy of the life of the world to come. He answered unto them: Take heed to the honor of your colleagues; withhold your children from recitation,² and cause them to sit between the knees of the disciples of the wise; and when you pray, know before whom you stand. Thereby will you be worthy of the life of the world to come.

And when Rabban Johanan b. Zakkai was ill, his disciples went in to visit him. When he saw them he began to weep. His disciples said unto him, O Lamp of Israel,³ right-hand pillar,⁴ mighty hammer! Why dost thou weep? He answered unto them: If I were being led before a king of flesh and blood, who is today here and tomorrow in the grave, who if he were angry with me, his anger need not be everlasting,⁵ who if he imprison me his imprisonment need not be everlasting, who if he put me to death the death would not be for ever, whom I could appease with words and bribe with money—even then I would weep; but now,

² So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 331, renders; interpreting "Restrain your children from parading a superficial knowledge of the Bible by verbal memorizing." Others hold that the reference is to some debatable literature, apocryphal or metaphysical (Cf. Bacher, *Agada der Tannaiten* i. ch. vi. Comp. I. Z. Lauterbach, *Midrash and Mishnah*, New York 1916, pp. 89-90).

³ According to another reading, "Lamp of the World."

⁴ I Kings 7.13.

⁵ According to another reading: "would only be in this world;" similarly in other clauses.

ונזכהי בהם לחיי העולם הבא. אמר להם. הזהרו בכבוד חבריכם. וּמנעו בניכם מן ההגיון, והושיבום בין ברכי תלמידי חכמים.² וכשאתם מתפללים דעו לפני מי אתם עומדים. ובשביל כך תזכו לחיי העולם הבא:

וכשחלה רבן יוחנן בן זכאי נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. כיון שראה אותם התחיל לבכות. אמרו לו תלמידיו. נר ישראל³ עמוד הימיני פטיש החזק, מפני מה אתה בוכה? אמר להם. אילו לפני מלך בשר ודם היו מוליכין אותי. שהיום כאן ומחר בקבר. שאם כועס עלי אין כעסו כעס עולם.⁴ ואם אוסרני אין איסורו איסור עולם. ואם ממיתני אין מיתתו מיתת עולם. ואני יכול לפייסו בדברים ולשחדו בממון. אף על פי כן הייתי בוכה.⁵ ועכשיו שמוליכין

¹ כרי שזכה M.

² Aboth de R. Nathan I, 19 omits the whole bracketed passage. M. omits the second clause. At the end of the paragraph M. has a considerable addition.

³ In some texts of the Aboth de R. Nathan the reading is נר עולם (see ed. Schechter p.159).

⁴ M. omits these two words.

⁵ A. de R. N. (loc.cit.) אלא בעה'ו.

⁶ M. מתירא ממנו

when I am being led before the King of Kings, the Holy One, blessed be He, Who lives and endures to all eternity, Who if He be angry with me, His anger is eternal,⁶ Who if He imprison me, His imprisonment would be everlasting, Who if He sentenced me to death, the death would be for ever, and Whom I cannot appease with words nor bribe with money—nay more, when before me stretch two ways, one to the Garden of Eden and the other to Gehinnom, and I know not in which I am to be led—shall I then not weep? They said unto him: Our Master, bless us! He answered unto them: "May it be His will that the fear of Heaven be upon you as great as the fear of flesh and blood." His disciples exclaimed: Only as great? He answered unto them: Would that it be as great! for know ye, that when a man designs to commit a transgression, he says: I hope that no man will see me. In the hour of his death Johanan said unto them: Remove the utensils because of defilement,⁷ and prepare a seat for Hezekiah King of Judah, who is coming.⁸ (Berakot 28b).

R. Eleazar fell ill and R. Tarphon, R. Joshua, R. Eleazar b. 'Azaria, and R. 'Akiba went to visit him. R. Tarphon spake, saying: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than the Sun, for the Sun shines in

⁶ Acc. to another reading: "in the world to come;" sim. in other clauses.

⁷ Caused by the presence of a dead body.

⁸ To accompany him (Rashi). On the whole of this passage see *Studies in Pharisaism*, II, 46.

אותי לפני מלך מלכי המלכים הקדוש ברוך הוא
 שהוא חי וקיים לעולם ולעולמי עולמים. שאם
 כועס עלי כעסו כעס עולם.⁷ ואם אוסרני איסורו
 איסור עולם. ואם ממיתני מיתתו⁸ מיתת עולם. ואיני
 יכול לפייסו בדברים ולא לשחדו בממון. ולא עוד
 אלא שיש לפני שני דרכים אחת של⁹ גן עדן ואחת
 של ניהנס¹⁰ ואיני יודע באיזו מוליכים אותי. ולא
 אבכה?¹¹ אמרו לו. רבינו ברכנו! אמר להם. יהי
 רצוני שתהא מורא שמים עליכם כמורא בשר
 ודם. אמרו לו תלמידיו. עד כאן? אמר להם ולואי!
 דעוי¹² כשאדם עובר עבירה אומר שלא יראני אדם:
 בשעת פטירתו אמר להם פנו כלים מפני הטומאה.
 והכינו כסא לחזקיהו מלך יהודה שבא:¹³ (ברכות כ"ח ב')
 וכבר היה ר' אליעזר חולה ונכנסו רבי טרפון
 ורבי יהושע ור' אלעזר בן עזריה ור' עקיבא לבקרו:
 נענה ר' טרפון ואמר רבי! חביב אתה לישראל
 יותר מגלגל חמה. שנלגל חמה מאיר בעולם הזה

⁷ A. de R. N. לעה"ב. ⁸ מיתתי. ⁹ A. de R. N. לניהנס. ¹⁰ M. לנ. So A. de R. N. p. 79. ¹¹ M. לניהנס.

¹² Instead of this clause A. de R. N. quotes Psalm 22.30.

¹³ M. 30., יהי מורא וכו'. ¹⁴ Var. תדעו. M. עבודה. (עובר עבירה?) בסתר ואמר לא יראני האדם אעפ"י שידע שהכל נלוי לפניו אינו סתיירא ואינו מונע מלעשות. ¹⁵ M. omits.

this world only, but thou dost illumine this world and the next.' R. Joshua spake, saying: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than the gift of rain; for the rain giveth life in this world only, and thou hast given life in this world and the next.' R. Eleazar b. 'Azariah addressed him in these words: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than father and mother, for a man's parents bring him into this world, while thou bringest us into this world and the next.' R. 'Akiba shook his head, and said 'Rabbi, dear is affliction.' R. Eleazar said to his disciples: 'Support me!' He sat up and said: 'speak on, 'Akiba!' 'Akiba replied: The Scripture⁹ says, Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign and he reigned five and fifty years in Jerusalem, and he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord. Another text tells us:¹⁰ These also are proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out. Is it conceivable that Hezekiah taught all Israel law, yet neglected to teach his own son, Manasseh? But all his instructions, all his efforts failed, and the only effective teacher was affliction. For it is written further how the Lord spake to Manasseh and to his people, but they gave no heed, wherefore the Lord brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of Assyria, who took Manasseh with hooks and bound him with fetters and carried him to Babylonia. And when he was in distress he besought the Lord his God, and humbled himself greatly before

⁹ II Chron. 33.1.

¹⁰ Prov. 25.1.

ואתה מאיר לעולם הזה ולעולם הבא: נענה רבי יהושע ואמר רבי! חביב אתה לישראל ממתן גשמים. שהגשמים נותנים חיים בעולם הזה ואתה נתת להם חיים בעולם הזה ובעולם הבא: א"ל ר' אליעזר בן עזריה רבי! חביב אתה לישראל מאב ואם. שאב ואם מביאים את האדם לעולם הזה ואתה מביא אותנו לעולם הזה ולעולם הבא: נענה רבי עקיבא ואמר רבי! חביבים יסורים: ואמר להם רבי אליעזר לתלמידיו סמכוני! ישב לו ר' אליעזר אמר לו אמור עקיבא! אמר לו הרי הוא אומר בן י"ב שנה מנשה במלכו ונ"ה שנה מלך בירושלים ויעש הרע בעיני ה'. ואומר גם אלה משלי שלמה אשר העתיקו אנשי חזקיה מלך יהודה. וכי עלתה על דעתך שחזקיהו לימד תורה לישראל ולמנשה בנו לא לימד תורה? אלא כל תלמוד שלימדו וכל עמל שעמל בו לא הועיל לו אלא ייסורים. שנאמר וידבר ה' אל מנשה ואל עמו ולא הקשיבו ויבא ה' עליהם את שרי הצבא אשר למלך אשור וילכדו את מנשה בחוחים ויאסרוהו בנחשתים ויוליכוהו בבלה וכהצר לו חלה את פני ה' אלהיו ויכנע מאד מלפני

the God of his fathers. And he prayed unto Him, and He was entreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him back to Jerusalem into his kingdom. So, said 'Akiba, thou mayest learn that precious is affliction! (Sifre on Deut. 32).

The record is that it was on a Friday, when R. Eleazar lay sick, that R. 'Akiba and his colleagues visited the dying sage. [They asked him several questions]; he answered 'unclean' concerning the unclean, and concerning the clean he answered 'clean', and his soul departed in purity at the word. (Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 25; Sanhedrin, 68a).

2

'AKABYA SON OF MAHALALEL.

'Aḳabya son of Mahalalel testified to four teachings. The Sages said to him: "Aḳabya! Withdraw the four teachings which thou hast declared, and we will appoint thee a President of the Court" for Israel." He answered them: "Rather would I be called a fool all my life, than become for a single hour a sinner before God." (Also,) he did not wish people to say that he recanted to gain office.

In the hour of his death he said to his son: "My son! Give up those four things which I used to declare." His son asked: "Why didst thou not thyself abandon them?" 'Aḳabya an-

" According to the Mishnah Hagigah 2.2, the Ab Beth-din was vice-president of the Sanhedrin.

אלהי אבותיו ויפן אליו ויעתר לו וישיבהו לירושלים
למלכותו. הא למדת שחביבים ייסורים¹⁶: (ספרי דברים
פ' ל"ב).

כשחלה רבי אליעזר אמרו אותו היום ערב שבת
היה ונכנס רבי עקיבא וחביריו¹⁷ ללבקרו... והיה
משיב על טמא טמא ועל טהור טהור עד שיצתה
נשמתו בטהרה¹⁸: (אבות דר' נתן כ"ה, סנהדרין ס"ח א').

ב

עקביא בן מהללאל

עקביא בן מהללאל העיד ארבעה דברים.
אמרו לו. עקביא חזור בכ בארבעה דברים שהיית
אומר ונעשך אב בית דין לישראל. אמר להן מוטב
לי להקרא שוטה כל ימי. ולא ליעשות שעה אחת
רשע לפני המקום. שלא יהיו אומרים בשביל שררה
חזר בו:

...בשעת מיתתו אמר לבנו. בני! חזור בכ
בארבעה דברים שהייתי אומר. אמר לו, ואתה
למה לא חזרת בכ? אמר לו אני שמעתי מפי

¹⁶ For notes on this text see Friedmann, *Sifre*, p. 73b.

¹⁷ נכנסו חכמים אצלו. M.

¹⁸ In Sanh. 68a the passage ends: מנעל שעל נבי האמוס.

swered: "I heard these decisions from a majority, so did the others hear their decisions from a majority.¹² I stood by my tradition, and they by theirs. But thou hast heard (opposite views) from (me) an individual, and from (them) a majority. 'Twere better for thee to reject the words of the individual and hold to those of the majority." He said to him: "Father, commend me to thy colleagues." 'Aqabya answered: "I will not commend thee." The son asked: "Hast thou detected some fault¹³ in me?" "No," said 'Aqabya, "but thine own deeds will bring thee near (to the Sages), or thine own deeds will thrust thee far (from them)." (Mishnah 'Eduyot V, 6-7).

3

JOSE SON OF KISMA AND HANINA SON OF
TERADYON

Said Rabbi Jose, the son of Kisma: Once I was walking by the way, when a man met me, and gave me "Peace," and I returned him "Peace".¹⁴ He said to me, "Rabbi, from what place art thou?" I said to him, "From a great city of Sages and Scribes¹⁵ am I." He said to me, "Rabbi, should it be thy pleasure to dwell with us in our place, I will give thee a thousand thousand¹⁶ golden dinars¹⁷, and precious stones and

¹² Either the majority decided differently on different occasions or there were divergent traditions as to what *was* the majority decision.

¹³ Or, according to the other reading, "cause" for complaint.

המרובים. והם שמעו מפי המרובים. אני עמדתי
 בשמועתי. והם עמדו בשמועתן. אבל אתה שמעת
 מפי היחיד ומפי המרובין. מוטב להניח דברי היחיד
 ולאחוז בדברי המרובין: אמר לו פקוד עלי
 לחברייך. אמר לו אני מפקיד. אמר לו שמא עולה¹⁹
 מצאת בי? אמר ליה לאו! מעשיך יקרבוך ומעשיך
 ירחקוך: (עדיות פרק ה')

ג

יוסי בן קיסמא וחנניה בן תרדיון

אמר רבי יוסי בן קיסמא. פעם אחת הייתי מהלך
 בדרך ופגע בי אדם²⁰ אחד ונתן לי שלום והחזרתני
 לו שלום. אמר לי רבי מאיזה מקום אתה? אמרתי
 לו מעיר גדולה של חכמים ושל סופרים²¹ אני. אמר
 לי רבי רצונך שתדור עמנו במקומנו ואני אתן לך
 אלף אלפים דינרי זהב ואבנים טובות ומרגליות.

The bracketed words, however, are missing in M. מהו? אמר להם הוא טהור] ויצתה נשמתו בטהרה

¹⁹ V עילה. ²⁰ V זקן. ²¹ V omits these two words.

¹⁴ The usual form of salutation.

¹⁵ See *J.E.*, xi, 123. Jose's city was Caesarea Philippi, but he may be referring to Usha, the seat of learning in his age.

¹⁶ *i. e.* a million.

¹⁷ Lat. denarius.

pearls." I said to him, "Wert thou to give me all the silver, and gold, and precious stones, and pearls in the world, I would not dwell except in the home of the Torah. And thus is it written in the Book of Psalms,¹⁸ by the hands of David King of Israel: The Law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver."

Moreover, in the hour of a man's decease, not silver nor gold nor precious stones and pearls accompany him, but Torah and good works alone,¹⁹ as it is said,²⁰ When thou walkest, it shall lead thee, when thou liest down, it shall watch over thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee. "When thou walkest, it shall lead thee"—in this world; "when thou liest down, it shall watch over thee"—in the grave; "and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee"—in the world to come²¹. (Chapter of R. Meir, so-called ch. 6 of Abot).

The Rabbis taught: When Rabbi Jose son of Kisma lay sick, R. Hanina son of Teradyon went to visit him. Jose said to him: Hanina, my brother, knowest thou not that this nation²² has received its domination from Heaven? It has wasted God's House, burned His Temple, slain His saints, destroyed His excellent ones, yet it still endures. And I have heard of thee, that thou (despite the Roman prohibition) sittest and art occupied with teaching the Torah, summoning public assemblies, and bear-

¹⁸ Ps. 119.72.

¹⁹ This idea is widely spread in literature. Cf. J.

אמרתי לו אם אתה נותן לי כל כסף וזהב ואבנים טובות ומרגליות שבעולם איני דר אלא במקום תורה: וכן כתוב בספר תהלים על ידי דוד מלך ישראל טוב לי תורת פיך מאלפי זהב וכסף:

ולא עוד²² שבשעת פטירתו של אדם אין מלוים לו לאדם לא כסף ולא זהב ולא אבנים טובות ומרגליות אלא תורה ומעשים טובים בלבד. שנאמר בהתהלכך תנחה אותך בשכבך תשמור עליך והקיצות היא תשיחך: בהתהלכך תנחה אותך בעולם הזה. בשכבך תשמור עליך בקבר. והקיצות היא תשיחך לעולם הבא: (פרק ר' מאיר או פרק קנין תורה)

תנו רבנן כשחלה רבי יוסי בן קיסמא הלך רבי חנינא בן תרדיון לבקרו. אמר לו חנינא אחי אי אתה יודע שאומה זו מן השמים המליכוה. שהחריבה את ביתו ושרפה את היכלו והרגה את חסידיו ואבדה את טוביו ועדיין היא קיימת. ואני שמעתי עליך שאתה יושב ועוסק בתורה ומקה לקהלות ברבים.²³

²² cf. ed. Taylor, text, p. 49). ²³ V omits this phrase.

Jacobs, *Barlaam and Josaphat*, pp. lxxvii ff.

²⁰ Prov. 6.22.

²¹ Follows a quotation of Haggai 2.8.

²² Rome.

ing a Scroll of the Torah at the breast. Ḥanina answered: Mercy will be shown from on high! Jose rejoined: I address reasonable words to thee, and thou answerest, Mercy will be shown from on High! I shall be surprised if they do not burn thee and the Scroll in fire. Ḥanina said: Master, what will be my lot in the life of the world to come? He answered, Has any occurrence happened to thee?²³ Ḥanina replied, Purim money was once mixed with²⁴ alms-money, and I distributed it to the poor.²⁵ Jose exclaimed: This being so, may thy portion be my portion, and thy lot my lot! It was said that very soon afterwards R. Jose son of Kisma died, and all the magnates of Rome attended his funeral, and mourned over him with a great mourning.

On their return they found R. Ḥanina son of Teradyon, sitting occupied with the Torah, gathering public assemblies, carrying a Scroll of the Torah at his breast. They took him, wrapped the Scroll about him, and encompassed him with faggots of vine branches, to which they set fire. They brought woolen tufts, soaked them with water, and laid them on his heart, so that his soul should not depart quickly.²⁶

²³ Any incident from which I may judge your conduct.

²⁴ Or interchanged with, mistaken for.

²⁵ Money set aside (either for his own use or for meals for the poor on Purim) was mistaken by Ḥanina for general alms money and so he distributed the deficiency out of his own pocket.

²⁶ To make his death lingering.

וספר תורה²⁴ מונח לך בחיקך: אמר לו מן השמים ירחמו: אמר לו אני אומר לך דברים של טעם ואתה אומר לי מן השמים ירחמו! תמה אני אם לא ישרפו אותך ואת ספר תורה באש: אמר לו רבי! מה אני לחיי העולם הבא? אמר לו כלום מעשה בא לידך? אמר לו מעות של פורים נתחלפו לי במעות של צדקה וחלקתים לעניים. אמר לו אם כן מחלקך יהי חלקי ומגורלך יהי גורלי! אמרו לא היו ימים מועטים עד שנפטר רבי יוסי בן קיסמא. והלכו כל גדולי²⁵ רומי לקברו. והספידוהו הספר גדול: ובחזירתו מצאוהו לרבי חנינא בן תרדיון שהיה יושב ועוסק בתורה. ומקהיל קהלות ברבים. וספר תורה מונח לו בחיקו. הביאוהו וכרכוהו בספר תורה. והקיפוהו בחבילי זמורות. והציתו בהן את האור. והביאו ספוגין של צמר ושראום במים והניחום על לבו כדי שלא תצא נשמתו מהרה:²⁶

²⁴ V omits.

²⁵ בני רומי והספידוהו.

²⁶ V שלא ימות מהרה.

His daughter said to him: Father, must I see thee in this plight? He answered: Were I being burned alone, the matter would be hard for me; but seeing that I am now being burned together with the Scroll, He who will resent the insult to the Torah will take account also of my wrong. His disciples asked of him: Rabbi, what seest thou? He answered, the Scroll burns but the letters soar (on high). They said to him: Open thy mouth that the fire may penetrate.²⁷ He replied: Better is it that He who gave the soul should take it, and that a man should do himself no injury. Then the executioner said to him: Master! If I increase the flame and remove the woolen tufts from off thy heart, wilt thou bring me to the life of the world to come?—Yes, said Hanina.—Swear it (demanded the executioner). Hanina took the oath. Forthwith the officer increased the flame and removed the woolen tufts from over Hanina's heart, and his soul departed quickly. The executioner thereupon leaped up and plunged into the fire. Then a Daughter of the Voice²⁸ went forth and cried: Rabbi Hanina son of Teradyon and the executioner are both appointed for eternal life! Rabbi (Judah) wept and said: One acquires his world in a single hour, and another acquires it in many years! ('Abodah Zarah 18).²⁹

²⁷ Thus hastening the end of his sufferings.

²⁸ See *J.E.*, ii, 588, on this "heavenly voice."

²⁹ Cf. 'Abodah Zarah 10b. A very human comment on life's inequalities. It may be suggested that a negative has dropped out of this oft-quoted saying, which should

אמרה לו בתו אבא אראך בכך? אמר לה אילמלא
 אני נשרפתי לבדי היה הדבר קשה לי. עכשיו שאני
 נשרף וספר תורה עמי²⁷ מי שמבקש עלבונה²⁸ של
 ספר תורה יבקש עלבוני: אמרו לו תלמידיו רבי
 מה אתה רואה? אמר להן גליון²⁹ נשרפין ואותיות
 פורחות. אמרו לו³⁰ אף אתה פתח פיך ותכנס האש.³¹
 אמר להם מוטב שיטלנה מי שנתנה ואל יחבל הוא
 בעצמו: אמר לו קליסטנרי³² רבי! אם אני מרבה
 בשלהבת ונוטל ספוגין של צמר מעל לבך אתה
 מביאני לחיי העולם הבא? אמר לו הן. השבע לי!
 נשבע לו. מיד הרבה בשלהבת. ונטל ספוגין של
 צמר מעל לבו. ויצאה נשמתו במהרה: אף הוא קפץ
 ונפל לתוך האור:³³ יצאה בת קול ואמרה רבי
 חנינא בן תרדיון וקליסטנרי מזומנין הן לחיי העולם
 הבא: בכה רבי ואמר יש קונה עולמו בשעה אדת
 ויש קונה עולמו בכמה שנים!
 (עבודה זרה יח)

²⁷ V This whole clause in third person.

²⁸ V עלבונו.

²⁹ V גליון.

³⁰ M adds these two words.

³¹ V add בכך. M שלהבת.

³² V קלצטנרי.

³³ M האש.

4

JOSHUA SON OF HANANYA

In the old age of R. Joshua b. Hananya his disciples visited him, and he said to them: 'My children, what new ideas did you acquire at the college today?' They answered: 'We are thy disciples and drink of thy waters!'³⁰ He replied: 'God forbid that there should be a generation orphaned of men of wisdom.'³¹ Whose Sabbath was it?'—'The Sabbath of R. Eleazar b. 'Azariah'—'On what topic was the lecture to-day?'—'On the section (Deut. 31.12): Assemble the people, the men and the women and the little ones'—'What did R. Eleazar expound on this text?'—'Thus he expounded: the men came to learn³², the women to listen, but the children, why did they come? To give a reward to those who brought them'—'A precious pearl ye had in your hands and ye sought to deprive me of it! Had ye not come but to tell me³³ this single thing, 'twere enough'—'He further discoursed on Ecclesiastes 12. 11: The words of the wise are as goads. Just as the goad directs the heifer in her furrow, so the words of the Torah direct mankind to the paths of life.' (Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 18)·

run: "One attains eternity in an hour, another fails in many years."

³⁰ We have come to learn, not to teach.

³¹ There were others besides himself and to replace himself, as teacher.

³² To take part in the discussion.

³³ Lit. 'to hear'; but the meaning is 'to tell me'.

ד

ר' יהושע בן חנניה

לעת זקנותו של רבי יהושע נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. אמר להם בני מה חידוש היה לכם בבית המדרש? אמרו תלמידך אנו ומימך אנו שותים. אמר להם ח"ו שאין דור יתום של חכמים. שבת של מי היתה? אמרו לו שבת של רבי אלעזר בן עזריה היתה. אמר להם ובמה היתה ההגדה היום? אמרו בפרשת הקהל את העם האנשים והנשים והטף (דברים ל"א י"ב). אמר להם ומה דרש בה? אמרו לו כך דרש בה אנשים באים ללמוד ונשים לשמוע טף למה הם באים? כדי לתת שכר טוב למביאייהם. אמר להם מרגלית טובה היתה בידכם וביקשתם לאבדה ממני! אלמלא לא באתם אלא לשמוע דבר זה די. אמרו לו ועוד דרש בה דברי חכמים כדרבונות... (קהלת י"ב י"א) מה דרבן זה מכוון את הפרה לתלמיה כך דברי תורה מכוונים את האדם לדרכי חיים: ³⁴ (אבות דר' נתן י"ח)

34 For notes on the Hebrew text see Schechter's ed.

When the soul of R. Joshua ben Hananya was departing, the Rabbis said unto him: What will become of us at the hands of the Minim?³⁴ He answered them with the text, Jeremiah 49.7: 'If counsel is departed from the sons, then is their wisdom vanished'—if the sons³⁵ lose their skill in argument, so does the heathen's wisdom also perish. Or, if you will, he added: take comfort from the experience of Jacob who said to Esau:³⁶ 'Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go with thee'³⁷ (Genesis 33.12). (Ḥagigah, v, 1).

5

SAMUEL THE YOUNGER

Once they were assembled in the upper chamber of the house of Gorya in Jericho, when a Daughter of the Voice manifested itself, saying: There is among you one who is fit that the Shekinah should rest upon him, but his generation is unfit for it. They turned their eyes toward Hillel the Elder. When he died, they said of him in their elegiac lament: O thou saint! O thou gentle-man! O thou disciple of Ezra! On another occasion they were gathered in an upper chamber in Jabneh. Again a Daughter of the Voice manifested itself, saying: There is here one fit that the Shekinah should rest upon him, but his

³⁴ Heathen and Judeo-Christian disputants. Cf. Bacher, *Agada der Tanaiten* I 161 (ed. 2 p. 156). Some editions read 'Epicureans'. Joshua was famed for his controversial ability, see *J. E.* vii 291.

כי קא ניחא נפשיה דרבי יהושע בן חנניה אמרו
 ליה רבנן מאי תיהוי עלן ממיני³⁵? אמר להם אבדה
 עצה מבנים נסרחה חכמתם. כיון שאבדה עצה
 מבנים נסרחה חכמתן של אומות העולם: ואי בעית
 אימא מהכא נסעה ונלכה ואלכה לנגדך (חגיגה ה' א.).

ה

שמואל הקטן

פעם אחת היו מסובין בעליית בית גוריא ביריחו.
 נתנה עליהן בת קול מן השמים ואמרה יש בכם
 אדם אחד שראוי שתשרה שכינה עליו אלא שאין
 דורו ראוי³⁶ לכך. נתנו עיניהם בהלל הזקן. וכשמת
 הספידוהו הי חסיד הי עניו תלמידו של עזרא! ושוב
 פעם אחרת היו מסובין בעלייה ביבנה. נתנה להן
 בת קול מן השמים ואמרה להן יש בכם אדם אחד
 שראוי שתשרה שכינה עליו אלא שאין דורו זכאין

³⁵ Censored editions read מאפיקורוסין.

³⁶ The readings זכאי and ראוי vary in the Mss. and editions.

³⁵ i. e. of God—Israel being meant.

³⁶ Typifying Rome.

³⁷ Jacob and Esau keep pace together.

generation is unworthy of it. They turned their eyes to Samuel the Younger, and when he died they keened for him in the terms: O thou modest one! O thou saint! O thou disciple of Hillel. On his death-bed he prophesied: 'Simeon and Ishmael are destined to the sword, their comrades to death, the rest of the people will be a spoil, and many sorrows will befall Israel.' Also of Judah b. Baba they would have wished to use a similar lamentation: 'O saint, O gentle-man', but it was an unsettled time and it was impossible to make public elegy over those executed by the Roman government.³⁸ (Soṭah, 48b).

6

'AKIBA

Our Rabbis have taught: Seven injunctions did Rabbi 'Aḳiba lay upon Joshua his son. My son! Dwell not on the height of the town while studying;³⁹ live not in a city whose heads are scholars;⁴⁰ enter not thy house suddenly,⁴¹ still less thy neighbor's house; withhold not shoes from thy feet;⁴² rise up early and eat, in Summer because of the heat, in Winter because of the cold;⁴³ make thy Sabbath a week-

³⁸ See J. E. xi, 21. Both Hillel and Samuel ha-Ḳaṭon were celebrated for their meek and gentle disposition.

³⁹ To avoid the disturbance of the traffic.

⁴⁰ They would be devoted more to their books than to public affairs.

לכך. נתנו עיניהם בשמואל הקטן וכשמת הספידוהו
 הי עניו הי חסיד תלמידו של הלל! ואף הוא אמר
 בשעת מיתתו שמעון וישמעאל לחרבא וחבריה
 לקטלא ושאר עמא לביזא ועקן סגיאין עתידין
 למיתי על עמא. ואף על ר' יהודה בן בבא בקשו
 לומר הי חסיד הי עניו אלא שנטרפה שעה שאין
 מספידין על הרוגי מלכות (סוטה מ"ח ב')

ו

ר' עקיבא

תנו רבנן, שבעה דברים צוה ר' עקיבא את ר'
 יהושע³⁷ בנו. בני! אל תשב בגובהה של עיר ותשנה³⁸.
 ואל תדור בעיר שראשיה תלמידי חכמים. ואל
 תכנס לביתך פתאום כל שכן לבית חבירך. ואל
 תמנע מנעלים מרגליך. השכם ואכול בקיץ מפני
 החמה ובחורף מפני הצינה. ועשה שבתך חול ואל

³⁷ M omits the name.

³⁸ M omits.

⁴¹ Give warning of your approach: cf. Leviticus Rabba ch. xxi.

⁴² To go unshod was disgraceful: cf. T. B. Shabbat, 129a.

⁴³ Derived in T. B. Baba Ḳama 92b from the text Isaiah 49. 10.

day,⁴⁴ so as to avoid needing help from thy fellow-creatures; and be on good terms with one on whom the hour smiles.⁴⁵ (Pesaḥim 112a).

Five things did Rabbi 'Aqiba command R. Simeon b. Yoḥai, when he was confined in prison. Simeon said to him: Master, teach me Torah! 'Aqiba replied, I will not teach thee. Simeon said to him: If thou teach me not, I will inform my father Yoḥai, and he will give thee up to the government. 'Aqiba answered: My son! more than the calf desires to suck, the cow desires to suckle. Who is in danger, asked Simeon, is it not the calf? 'Aqiba then said unto him: If thou wishest to be strangled, hang thyself on a big tree,⁴⁶ and when thou teachest thy son, teach him out of a correct book. Cook not in a pot in which thy comrade has cooked.⁴⁷ His is an act of charity and also a good investment who helps to produce fruits, while he has a reward.⁴⁸ His is a religious act which also keeps his body pure, who marries a wife though he already has children (Pesaḥim 112 a-b).

"And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy substance."⁴⁹ It has been taught: R. Eleazar said, If it is written "with all thy soul",⁵⁰ why

⁴⁴ Do without luxurious meals.

⁴⁵ The Talmud cites in illustration association with Job, of whom it is said: "Thou hast blest the work of his hands."

⁴⁶ Go for instruction to a high authority.

⁴⁷ Explained in the Talmud as referring either to marriage with a divorced woman in her first husband's life-

תצטרך לבריות. והוי משתדל עם אדם שהשעה
משחקת לו: (פסחים ק"ב א')

חמשה דברים צוה רבי עקיבא את ר' שמעון
בן יוחי כשהיה חבוש בבית האסורין. אמר לו רבי
למדני תורה! אמר לו אני מלמדך. אמר לו אם
אין אתה מלמדני אני אומר ליוחי אבא ומוסרך
למלכות. אמר לו בני! יותר ממה שהעגל רוצה
לינק פרה רוצה להניק. אמר לו ומי בסכנה? והלא
עגל בסכנה! אמר לו אם בקשת ליחנק היתלה
באילן גדול. וכשאתה מלמד את בנך^{38a} למדהו בספר
מוגה... ולא תבשל בקדירה שבישל בה חבירך.
מצוה וגוף גדול אוכל פירות ולו³⁹ שכר. מצוה וגוף
טהור נושא אשה ולו בנים: (שם)

ואהבת את ה' אלהיך בכל לבבך ובכל נפשך
ובכל מאדך. תניא ר' אליעזר אומר אם נאמר בכל

^{38a} M adds חורה.

³⁹ Following Jastrow's reading of לו for לא (see Dictionary, p. 225).

time, or to marriage with a widow.

⁴⁸ So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 225; he explains: "e. g. one who loans money to a husbandman on security, allowing payment in small instalments." Rashi explains somewhat differently (Cf. Baba Mezi'a 67b).

⁴⁹ Deut. 6.5.

⁵⁰ Life or self.

is it written "with all thy substance"?⁵¹ and if it is written "with all thy substance", why is it written "with all thy soul"? The reason is: should there be a man who holds his life dearer than his wealth, it is written "with all thy soul;" and should there be a man whose money is dearer to him than his life, it is written "with all thy substance." R. 'Aqiba said: "With all thy soul," even if He take thy soul.

Our Rabbis have taught: Once the wicked government⁵² decreed that the Israelites should not occupy themselves with the Torah. Pappos b. Judah came and found R. 'Aqiba gathering public assemblies and teaching the Torah. He said: 'Akiba dost thou not fear the government? 'Akiba answered: "I will tell thee a parable. To what is the matter like? To a fox who was walking along the river and saw some fishes gathering and fleeing from place to place. He said to them: from what are you fleeing? They answered: From nets which men are casting against us. The fox said: Let it be your pleasure to come up to the dry land, and I and you will dwell together, as my fathers once dwelt with your fathers. They answered: Art thou indeed he whom they declare the shrewdest of animals? Thou art not shrewd, but a dullard! For if we are afraid in the place which is life to us, how much more must we fear in the place which means to us death? So we,

⁵¹ Usually rendered "with all thy might", but see commentaries on the text.

⁵² Rome.

נפשך למה נאמר בכל מאדך? ואם נאמר בכל מאדך
למה נאמר בכל נפשך? אלא אם יש לך אדם שגופו
חביב עליו מממונו לכך נאמר בכל נפשך. ואם יש
לך אדם שממונו חביב עליו מגופו לכך נאמר בכל
מאדך: רבי עקיבא אומר בכל נפשך, אפילו נוטל
את נפשך:

תנו רבנן. פעם אחת גזרה מלכות הרשעה⁴⁰ שלא
יעסקו ישראל בתורה. בא פפוס בן יהודה ומצאו
לרבי עקיבא שהיה מקהיל קהלות ברבים ועוסק
בתורה. אמר לו עקיבא אי אתה מתירא מפני
מלכות? אמר לו אמשול לך משל. למה הדבר
דומה? לשועל שהיה מהלך על גב הנהר⁴¹ וראה דגים
שהיו מתקבצים ורצים ממקום למקום. אמר להם
מפני מה אתם בורחים? אמרו לו מפני רשתות
שמביאין עלינו בני אדם. אמר להם רצונכם שתעלו
ליבשה ונדור אני ואתם כשם שדרו אבותי עם
אבותיכם? אמרו לו אתה הוא שאומרים עליך פקח
שבחיות? לא פקח אתה אלא טפש אתה! ומה במקום
חיותנו אנו מתיראין במקום מיתתנו על אחת כמה

⁴⁰ מלכות יון V.

⁴¹ M. שפת הים, but M's readings vary throughout too.

if we are now in such a case while we sit and engage in the Torah of which it is written: 'for that is thy life and thy length of days',⁵³ how much worse would be our case were we to go and neglect it!"

It is reported that shortly afterwards they arrested R. 'Aqiba and bound him in prison, and they arrested Pappos b. Judah and bound him at his side. 'Aqiba asked: Pappos, for what reason are thou brought hither? He answered: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, inasmuch as thou hast been imprisoned on account of the Torah; alas for Pappos, who has been arrested for a trivial cause!

In the hour when they took forth R. 'Aqiba to execution, it was the time for reading the Shema';⁵⁴ they combed his flesh with iron combs, but he went on receiving upon himself the yoke of the Kingship of Heaven.⁵⁵ His disciples said unto him: Our Master, thus far?⁵⁶ He answered: All my days I was concerned about this text: "(And thou shalt love the Lord thy God) with all thy soul", which means, even if He take thy soul. I said: When shall it be in my power to fulfil it? And now that I have the opportunity, shall I not fulfil it? He dwelt long over the word One, until his soul went forth with the word One

⁵³ Deut. 30.20.

⁵⁴ Which includes Deut. 6.4 and 5, *seq.*

⁵⁵ This idea was associated with the recital of the passage referred to.

⁵⁶ Do you still recite the Shema' despite these tortures?

וכמה! אף אנחנו עכשיו שאנו יושבים ועוסקים בתורה שכתוב בה כי היא חייך ואורך ימך כך אם אנו הולכים ומבטלים ממנה על אחת כמה וכמה!

אמרו לא היו ימים מועטים עד שתפסוהו לרבי עקיבא וחבשוהו בבית האסורים. ותפסו לפפוס בן יהודה, וחבשוהו אצלו. אמר לו פפוס! על מה הביאך לכאן? אמר ליה, אשריך רבי עקיבא שנתפסת על דברי תורה! אוי לו לפפוס, שנתפס על דברים בטלים!

בשעה שהוציאו את ר' עקיבא להריגה זמן קריאת שמע היה. והיו סורקים את בשרו במסרקות של ברזל והיה מקבל עליו עול מלכות שמים. אמרו לו תלמידיו רבינו! עד כאן? אמר להם, כל ימי הייתי מצטער על פסוק זה בכל נפשך אפילו נוטל את נשמתך. אמרתי מתי יבא לידי ואקיימנו? ועכשיו שבא לידי לא אקיימנו? היה מאריך באחד

considerably for collation here. The passage may be also found in B. Halper's *Post Biblical Hebrew Literature*.

on his lips⁵⁷. There issued a Daughter of the Voice⁵⁸ which proclaimed: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, that thy soul went forth with the word One. The Ministering Angels spake before the Holy One, blessed be He, Is this the Torah and this its reward? Is Thy hand governed by men, O Lord, by men of the world?⁵⁹ He replied to them: "Their portion is in the (future) life."⁶⁰ A Daughter of the Voice went forth and proclaimed: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, inasmuch as thou art ready for the life of the world to come. (Berakot 61b).

7

JUDAH HA-NASI⁶¹

Our Rabbis have taught: In the hour of the demise of Rabbi (Judah), he said: I require the presence of my sons. His sons came to his side. He said to them: Take heed to honor your mother; let the lamp be lit, the table prepared and the couch spread in their wonted places. Joseph of Haifa and Simeon Ephratha ministered to me in my life-time, and they shall attend to me in my death... He then said unto them: I desire to see the Sages of Israel. They came in unto him. He said unto them: Make no mourning for me in the cities,⁶² but hold an

⁵⁷ "The Lord is One", Deut. 6.4.

⁵⁸ Comp. p. 11, note 28.

⁵⁹ Ps. 17.14. Should such a man have died at the hand of torturers, and not at God's hand?

⁶⁰ These words are the continuation of Ps. 17.14; they are interpreted to refer to the future life.

עד שיצתה נשמתו באחד. יצתה בת קול ואמרה
 אשריך רבי עקיבא שיצתה נשמתך באחד! אמרו
 מלאכי השרת לפני הקב"ה זו תורה וזו שכרה?
 ממתים ירך ה' ממתים מחלד. אמר להם חלקם
 בחיים. יצתה בת קול ואמרה אשריך רבי עקיבא
 שאתה מזומן לחיי העולם הבא: (ברכות ס"א ב')

ז

רבי יהודה הנשיא

ת"ר בשעת פטירתו של רבי אמר. לבני אני
 צריך! נכנסו בניו אצלו. אמר להם וזהו בכו
 אמכם.⁴² נר יהא דלוק במקומו. שולחן יהא ערוך
 במקומו. מטה תהא מוצעת במקומה. יוסף חפני
 שמעון אפרתי הם שמשוני בחיי והם ישמשוני במותי:⁴³
 ...אמר להן לחכמי ישראל אני צריך! נכנסו אצלו
 חכמי ישראל. אמר להן אל תספדוני בעיירות.⁴⁴

⁴² T. J. Ketubot ix, 3 reads אל תזון אלמנתי מביתי

⁴³ In T. J. the direction is more general.

⁴⁴ T. J. adds מפני המחלוקת. See T. B. Sanhedrin 47a.

⁶¹ Compiler of the Misnah: usually cited as "Rabbi" (simply).

⁶² T. J. interprets: because of dissension there would be too much emulation among those desirous of delivering orations. Another view was that Rabbi wished to spare his colleagues from trouble.

assembly (for study) after thirty days. Simeon my son is a Sage, Gamaliel my son shall be the Nasi, Hanina bar Hama shall sit at the head (of the assembly)...He then said unto them: I wish to see my younger son. R. Simeon came into his presence, and he delivered unto him the orders of wisdom. He then said unto them: I require the presence of my eldest son, and Rabban Gamaliel entered. He said unto him: Conduct thy office with the exalted, and act with aloofness toward the disciples...⁶³

He stretched his ten fingers on high and said: Master of the World! It is revealed and known before Thee that I have toiled with my ten fingers in the Torah, and have never derived personal advantage even with the little finger. May it be Thy will that peace may abide in my resting-place. A Daughter of the Voice went forth and said: He shall come in peace, they shall rest in their bed. (Ketubot 103 a-b).

Rabbi Hezekiah adds (that Rabbi Judah also directed): Place not many shrouds on me, and let my coffin be set open to the earth (T. J. Ketubot XII, 3).⁶⁴

Four things did our sainted Master⁶⁵ command his sons: Dwell not in Shekanzib;⁶⁶ sit not on

⁶³ Lit. 'cast bile amongst'. So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 838. The meaning would be: "avoid over familiarity with them." On the Patriarch's severity, cf. Graetz, *History of the Jews*, E. T., ii, ch. 17.

⁶⁴ Not to delay decomposition.

⁶⁵ R. Judah ha-Nasi.

⁶⁶ A town in Babylonia (Persia), where (according to the Talmud) the people were mockers. (Cf. *J. E.* xi, 257).

והושיבו ישיבה לאחר שלשים יום. שמעון בני חכם
גמליאל בני נשיא חנינא בר חמא ישב בראש: ...אמר
להן לבני הקטן אני צריך! נכנס ר' שמעון אצלו.
מסר לו סדרי חכמה: אמר להן לבני הגדול אני
צריך! נכנס רבן גמליאל אצלו. ומסר לו סדרי
נשיאות: אמר לו בני! נהוג נשיאתך ברמים. זרוק
מרה בתלמידים!...

זקף עשר אצבעותיו כלפי מעלה. אמר רבונו
של עולם! גלוי וידוע לפניך שיגעתי בעשר אצבעותי
בתורה. ולא נהניתי אפילו באצבע קטנה. יהי רצון
מלפניך שיהא שלום במנוחת. יצתה בת קול
ואמרה. יבא שלום ינחו על משכבותם! (כתובות ק"ג)

רבי חזקיה מוסיף. אל תרבו עלי תכריכין ותהא
ארוני נקובה לארץ. (ת"י כתובות י"ב נ')

ארבעה דברים צוה רבינו הקדוש את בניו.⁴⁵
אל תדור בשכנציב... ואל תשב על מטת⁴⁶ ארמית...

⁴⁵ M בנו.

⁴⁶ V. מטה.

the couch of an Aramaean woman;⁶⁷ do not seek to escape the payment of taxes; and stand not before an ox when it goes up from the meadow.⁶⁸ (Pesahim 112b).

8

RAB

And Rab said unto Rab Asi: Dwell not in a place where no horse neighs and no dog barks; dwell not in a place whose headman is a physician;⁶⁹ do not marry two wives, but if thou hast done so, marry a third.⁷⁰

Rab said unto R. Kahana: Deal in carcasses but not in words;⁷¹ strip the skin off a carcass in the market and take the profit, but say not I am a priest, I am a great man, and the thing is detestable to me. If thou hast ascended to the roof, take provision with thee. Though a hundred gourds may be bought in the city for a zuz, nevertheless take them under thy wings.⁷² (Pesah. 113a).

Rab said unto Hiyya his son: Drink no drugs, leap not over a ditch, have no tooth extracted, anger neither a snake nor an Aramaean.⁷³ (Ibid.)

⁶⁷ Comp. note 95 below.

⁶⁸ The Talmud adds: "because Satan dances (or leaps) between its horns," i. e. the animal is dangerous.

⁶⁹ He would be too occupied with professional duties.

⁷⁰ A humorous reminder that three would hardly combine against the husband.

⁷¹ "Gossip, sophistry," etc. (Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 361).

⁷² However short the journey, or however cheap food may be, never travel without provisions.

⁷³ Comp. note 95.

ואל תבריה עצמך מן המכס... ואל תעמוד בפני
השור בשעה שעולה מן האגם: (פסחים ק"ב ב')

ח

רב

ואמר ליה רב לרב אסי⁴⁷ לא תדור במתא דלא
צניף בה סוסיא ולא נבח בה כלבא, ואל תדור
בעיר דריש מתא אסיא, ולא תנסיב תרתי, אי נסבת
תרתי נסיב תלת:

אמר ליה רב לרב כהנא⁴⁸, הפוך בנבילתא ולא
תיפוך במילי. פשוט נבילתא בשוקא ושקיל אנרא
ולא תימא כהנא⁴⁹ אנא וגברא רבא אנא וסניא בי
מילתא. סלקת לאיגרא, שירותך⁵⁰ בהדך. מאה קרי
במתא בזוזא, תותי כנפיך ניהוו: (פסחים ק"ג א')

אמר ליה רב לחייא בריה, לא תשתי סמא. ולא
תשוור ניגרא. ולא תעקר ככא. ולא תקנא בחיזא.
(שם) ולא תקנא בארמאה:

47 M. אמר רב אסי. 48 M. רבא לרב הונא.

49 M. adds רבה. 50 M. במעה תותי.
כנפיך א"ל רב לרב חייא.

Rab said to his son Aibo: I have labored to teach thee law, without success; come, I will instruct thee in worldly affairs. While the dust is still on thy feet,⁷⁴ sell thy wares; you may regret a (premature) sale of anything except wine; untie thy purse, then open thy sack;⁷⁵ better a kab from the ground than a kor from the roof;⁷⁶ if thou hast dates in thy cask, run to the brewer.⁷⁷ (Ibid.).

9

JOSHUA B. LEVI

It was reported to Rabbi Joḥanan that aged men were to be found in Babylonia. He was surprised and said: "It is written: 'That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children *on the land*,' but outside the land not so." When, however, they told him that (these old Babylonians) are early and late in the Synagogues, he exclaimed: "This is what helps them." This agrees with what Rabbi Joshua son of Levi said to his sons: "Rise up early and stay up late and go to the Synagogue, so that you may prolong your life." R. Aḥa son of R. Ḥanina asked: "What Scriptural text is authority for this?" (The answer was:)

⁷⁴ Immediately on reaching the market.

⁷⁵ First receive the money.

⁷⁶ Do business with what is near, and trust less to distant ventures.

⁷⁷ Do not delay lest the dates be consumed.

אמר ליה רב לאיבו בריה, טרחי בך בשמעתא
 ולא מסתייע מילתא תא אנמרך מילי דעלמא.
 אדחלא אכרעך זבינך זבין. כל מילי זבין ותחרט
 בר מחמרא דזבין ולא תחרט. שרי כיסיך פתח
 שקיך.⁵¹ קבא מארעא ולא כורא מאיגרא. תמרא
 בחלוך לבית סודנא רהוט:
 (שם)

ט

ר' יהושע בן לוי

אמרו ליה לרבי יוחנן איכא סבי בבבל. תמה.
 אמר למען ירבו ימיכם וימי בניכם על האדמה
 כתיב אבל בחוצה לארץ לא. כיון דאמרי ליה
 מקדמי ומחשכי לבי כנישתא אמר היינו דאהני
 להו. כדאמר רבי יהושע בן לוי לבניה קדימו
 וחשיכו ועיילו לבי כנישתא כי היכי דתורכו חיי.⁵²
 אמר ר' אחא ברבי חנינא מאי קראה? אשרי אדם

⁵¹ שרי שקך ופתח כיסך M.

⁵² ויתקיים תלמודיכו בדיכו א"ר אחא בר אדא M.

"Happy is the man that hearkeneth to Me,⁷⁸ watching daily at My gates, waiting at the posts of My doors," after which it is written: "For who findeth Me findeth life". (Berakot 8a).

10

A GROUP OF SAYINGS

i

King Jannaeus (on his death-bed) said to his wife (Queen Alexandra): Fear neither the Pharisees nor their opponents, but fear the hypocrites who pretend to be Pharisees, whose deeds are the deeds of Zimri, and who claim a reward like that of Phinehas⁷⁹. (Sota 22b).

ii

Onias the circle-drawer begged mercy and died. Raba said, this illustrates the popular saying: Either friendship or death.⁸⁰ (Ta'anit 23a).

iii

Rabbi Yannai said unto his sons: My sons:

⁷⁸ Prov. 8.34; applied here to God.

⁷⁹ Numbers 25.14. See Schürer, *Geschichte des jüdischen Volkes im Zeitalter Jesu Christi*, beginning of § 11.

⁸⁰ On Onias, see J.E. ix, 404; I. Abrahams, *Studies in Pharisaism*, Second Series, p. 81. He was the Rip Van Winkle of the Talmud; awaking after seventy years he found himself without comrades, and preferred death to isolation.

שומע לי לשקוד על דלתותי יום יום לשמור מזוזות
 פתחי. וכתוב בתריה כי מצאי מצא חיים:⁵³
 (ברכות ח' א')

י

מאמרים שונים

א

אמר לה ינאי מלכא לדביתהו אל תתיראי מן
 הפרושין ולא ממי שאינן פרושין אלא מן הצבועין
 שדומין לפרושין שמעשיהן כמעשה זמרי ומבקשין
 שכר כפנחס:⁵⁴ (סוטה כ"ב ב')

ב

בעי (חוני המעגל) רחמי ומית. אמר רבא היינו
 דאמרי אינשי או חברותא או מיתותא (חענית כ"ז א').

ג

והאמר להו רבי ינאי לבניו, בני! אל תקברוני

⁵³ M omits this text.

⁵⁴ On this passage see Derenbourg, *Essai sur l'Histoire et la Géographie de la Palestine*, p. 101.

Bury me neither in white nor in black shrouds;⁸¹ not in white, lest I be not found worthy and I shall be as a bridegroom among mourners; not in black, lest I be found worthy, and I shall be as a mourner among bridegrooms. But bury me in court garments⁸² that come from overseas. (Niddah 20a).

iv

In earlier times, the funeral was a more serious matter to a man's relatives than his death⁸³, so that they would leave him and flee. Then came Rabban Gamaliel who directed simpler obsequies for himself, and (in obedience to his instructions)⁸⁴ they carried him out in a linen shroud. This custom thereafter became the general habit. R. Papa said: Nowadays it is the general rule to spend but a zuz⁸⁵ on the shroud. (Ketubot, 8b).

v

'Ulla had gone down from Palestine (to Babylonia). When his end was approaching, he started to weep. 'Why weep?' his associates

⁸¹ Similar orders are recorded of other Rabbis; cf. Johanan (Bereshit Rabba 96.5). See also T. J. Kil. ix,3, Ketubot ix,3. Thus the Palestinian Amora Jeremiah asked to be so clothed and equipped as to be ready to rise and follow the Messiah.

⁸² Of mixed colors. See S. Krauss, *Talmudische Archaeologie*, I, 145, 549.

⁸³ Owing to the costly funeral rites.

⁸⁴ His instructions are found in T. B. Mo'ed Katan, 27b.

⁸⁵ A very small coin.

לא בכלים לבנים ולא בכלים שחורים. לבנים,
 שמא לא אזכה ואהיה כחתן בין אבילים. שחורים,
 שמא אזכה ואהיה כאבל בין חתנים. אלא בכלים
 האוליירין הבאין ממדינת הים: (נדה כ' א')

ד

בראשונה היתה הוצאת המת קשה לקרוביו
 יותר ממיתתו. עד שהיו מניחים אותו ובורחים. עד
 שבא רבן גמליאל ונהג קלות⁵⁵ בעצמו. והוציא והויי
 בכלי פשתן ונהגו כל העם אחריו להוציא בכלי
 פשתן. אמר רב פפא והאידנא נהוג עלמא אפילו
 בצרדא⁵⁷ בר זוזא (כתובות ח' ב').

ה

עולא נחותא הוה אידמך תמן שרי בכי. אמרין
 ליה מה לך בכי? אנן מסקין לך לארעא דישראל.

⁵⁵ M. adds ראש.

⁵⁶ In Mo'ed Katan 27b ויצא.

⁵⁷ For variants see Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 1299, s. v.

asked, 'we will carry thee to the land of Israel for burial.' He rejoined, 'What will that profit me, if I lose my jewel⁸⁶ in an unclean land; to place it in a strange woman's bosom is far different from placing it in the bosom of one's mother.' R. Meir was dying in Asia and he said: Say ye to the sons of the land of Israel, behold your Messiah!⁸⁷ (Though he knew that he would be buried in Palestine), he nevertheless said to them: 'Place my coffin by the sea-shore,⁸⁸ for it is written: He hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floods'⁸⁹. (J. T. Kilaim IX, 4).

vi

Three things did Rabbi Ishmael son of R. Jose command his son: Cause no blemish to thyself;⁹⁰ do not negotiate a purchase when thou hast no money;⁹¹ and when thy wife has taken a ritual bath, do not approach her on the first night. (Pesaḥim 112b).

vii

Three things did Rabbi Jose son of R. Judah

⁸⁶ i. e. soul.

⁸⁷ An impassioned claim for burial in Palestinian soil.

⁸⁸ Thus the sea which washes the land of Israel might touch his bones. The text quoted is Psalm 24.2.

⁸⁹ On the desirability of interment in the Holy Land, see Genesis Rabbah, ch. 96 and parallels.

⁹⁰ The Talmud explains this of bringing a lawsuit against three people, as each defendant would have cor-

אמר לון ומה הנייה לי? אנא מובד מרגליתי גו ארעא
 מסאבתא. לא דומה הפולטה בחיק אמו לפולטה
 בחיק נכריה: רבי מאיר הוה אידמך ליה באסייא.
 אמר אימורין לבני ארעא דישראל הא משיחון
 דידכון. אפילו כן אמר לון יהבי ערסי על גיף ימא
 דכתיב כי הוא על ימים יסדה ועל נהרות יכוננה
 (ירושלמי כלאים פרק ט' ד')

1

שלשה דברים צוה ר' ישמעאל ברבי יוסי את
 בנו.⁵⁸ אל תעש מום בעצמך. ואל תעמוד על המקח
 בשעה שאין לך דמים. אשתך טבלה אל תזקק לה⁵⁹
 לילה הראשונה: (פסחים ק"ב ב')

2

שלשה דברים צוה רבי יוסי ברבי⁶⁰ יהודה את

⁵⁸ V רבי.

⁵⁹ M עמה.

⁶⁰ M omits ברבי.

roborative support. The sentence can be interpreted more generally.

⁹¹ Thereby preventing the vendor from finding a firmer customer.

command Rab:⁹² Go not out alone by night; stand not naked in front of a lamp; and enter not a new bath.⁹³ (Ibid.).

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Raba said to his sons: When you cut meat, do not cut it on your hand;⁹⁴ do not sit on the couch of an Aramaean⁹⁵ woman; and do not pass a Synagogue⁹⁶ at the time when the congregation is at prayer.⁹⁷ (Berakot 8b).

ix

Rabbi Johanan said:⁹⁸ The Holy One, blessed be He, daily proclaims the virtues of three: a bachelor who lives in a great city and maintains his chastity; a poor man who restores a lost object to its owners; and a rich man who gives a tithe of his profits in secret. (Pesahim 113a).

Three doth the Holy One, blessed be He, love: him who does not yield to anger; him that never becomes intoxicated; and him who does not stand on his rights. Three doth the Holy One, blessed be He, hate: him who says one thing with his mouth and (thinks) another thing in his heart;

⁹² These acts would be dangerous or immodest. The Talmudic glosses explain these precautions in terms of demonology.

⁹³ The bath may need inspection as to its safety.

⁹⁴ The Talmud explains that this was either to avoid danger or spoiling the food.

⁹⁵ Aramaean is used of Gentile in general; here Roman may be meant. The Talmud gives various explanations of Raba's rule: among them that the meaning was not to

רב.⁶¹ אל תצא יחידי בלילה, ואל תעמוד בפני הנר
 ערום, ואל תכנס למרחץ חדש⁶²:
 (שם)

ח

אמר להו רבא לבניה כשאתם חותכין בשר אל
 תחתכו על גב היד...⁶³ ואל תשבו על מטת ארמית.
 ואל תעברו אחורי בית הכנסת בשעה שהצבור
 מתפללין.
 (ברכות ח' ב')

ט

אמר ר' יוחנן. שלשה מכריז עליהם הקדוש
 ברוך הוא בכל יום על רווק הדר בכרך ואינו
 חוטא. ועל עני המחזיר אבידה לבעליה. ועל עשיר
 המעשר פירותיו בצינעה:
 (פסחים ק"ג א')

שלשה הקב"ה אוהבן. מי שאינו כועס. ומי שאינו
 משתכר ומי שאינו מעמיד על מדותיו: שלשה הקב"ה
 שונאן. המדבר אחד בפה ואחד בלב. והיודע עדות

⁶¹ רבי V. ⁶² The following words seem an addition. ⁶³ M adds על פיסת היד.

lie down to rest before reciting the Shema' (Deut. 6.4, etc.), for this would be to play the heathen.

⁶⁶ Lit., behind a Synagogue.

⁶⁷ This would be an irreverent action.

⁶⁸ The following, with several other passages in the context, is often cited by the authors of Ethical Wills.

him who can give testimony in a fellowman's favor but does not testify; him who sees a disgraceful thing in his neighbor and charges him singly.⁹⁹ (Pesaḥim 113b).

X

A certain Elder said to him¹⁰⁰: We have learned that one should neither anticipate nor postpone¹⁰¹ (the readings); as R. Joshua son of Levi said to his sons: Finish your Parashot with the congregation, twice the Hebrew text and once the Targum; also take care with the jugular vein in accordance with R. Judah's opinion.¹⁰² Take heed moreover (to show respect) to an old man who has forgotten his learning under compulsion,¹⁰³ for we say: The whole tablets (of stone) and the fragments of the broken tablets were both placed in the Ark.¹⁰⁴ (Berakot 8b).

⁹⁹ A single witness could not cause a conviction, but could merely bring the defendant into ill-repute.

¹⁰⁰ R. Bebai b. Abbai.

¹⁰¹ The discussion concerns the home readings of the weekly lesson (parashah). This lesson (besides being read in Synagogue) was read at home, twice in the Hebrew and once in the Aramaic Version (Targum). The home reading was to be the same portion as the Synagogue lesson. It thus linked together each home with all homes, and all with the communal service.

¹⁰² The reference is to the slaughter of birds. Cf. Mishnah *Hullin* ii, 1.

¹⁰³ Of age, sorrow or illness.

¹⁰⁴ Cf. Baba Batra 14b. "Similarly one must respect the old though they be broken by years of trouble" (Cohen).

לחבירו⁶⁴ ואינו מעיד. הרואה דבר ערוה בחבירו
ומעיד בו יחיד⁶⁵:
(שם ב')

,

אמר ליה ההוא סבא תנינא ובלבר שלא יקדים
ושלא יאחר.⁶⁶ כדאמר להו רבי יהושע בן לוי לבניה
אשלימו פרשיותיכו עם הצבור שנים מקרא ואחד
תרגום והזהרו בורידין כרבי יהודה... והזהרו בזקן
ששכח תלמודו מחמת אונסו.⁶⁷ דאמרינן לוחות ושברי
לוחות מונחות בארון:⁶⁸
(ברכות ח' ב')

⁶⁴ V בחבירו.

⁶⁵ M adds: וכך א"ל אב"י לבניה אשלימו פר' בהדי צבורא תרי קרא וחד תרגום ואפילו עטרת ודיבון כ"ה דתורכו יומי.

⁶⁶ M שאלין נוהגים בו מנהג בזיון דאמר מר לוחות.

⁶⁷ M adds: מכאן לזקן ששכח תלמודו מחמת אונס שאלין נוהגים בו מנהג בזיון.

11

CAUSES OF LONGEVITY

His disciples inquired of R. Joḥanan b. Zakkai: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never passed water within four cubits of the place of prayer; I never called my fellow-man by a nickname;¹⁰⁵ nor did I ever omit the Sanctification of the Day.¹⁰⁶ My aged mother once sold the cap off her head and brought to me (wine for) the Sanctification of the Day. . .

His disciples inquired of R. Eleazar son of Shammu'a: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never made use of the Synagogue as a short cut; I never stepped on the heads of the holy people;¹⁰⁷ nor did I ever raise my hands¹⁰⁸ without a (previous) benediction.

The disciples inquired of R. Perida: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: Never in my life did another arrive at the Bet Hamidrash¹⁰⁹ before me; I never said the Grace before a priest;¹¹⁰ nor did I ever eat of an animal from which the priestly dues had not been separated.¹¹¹

His disciples inquired of R. Neḥunya ben Haḳana: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never won honor at the

¹⁰⁵ Cf. Baba Mezi'a 58b.

¹⁰⁶ The sanctification over the wine-cup on Sabbaths and feasts.

¹⁰⁷ In the assembly, the disciples sat on the ground; Eleazar did not push them aside to reach his place.

¹⁰⁸ In the priestly blessing. ¹⁰⁹ House of Study.

יא

במה הארכת ימים?

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי זכאי. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא השתנתי מים בתוך ארבע אמות של תפלה. ולא כניתי שם לחבירי. ולא ביטלתי קידוש היום. אמא זקינה היתה לי. פעם אחת מכרה כפה שבראשה והביאה לי קידוש היום: שאלו תלמידיו את ר' אלעזר בן שמוע. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא עשיתי קפנדריא לבית הכנסת.⁶⁸ ולא פסעתי על ראשי עם קדוש. ולא נשאתי כפי בלא ברכה:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי פרידא. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא קדמני אדם לבית המדרש. ולא ברכתי לפני כהן. ולא אכלתי מבהמה שלא הורמו מתנותיה:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי נחוניא בן הקנה. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא נתכבדתי בקלון

לא עשיתי בהכ"נ קפנדריא ⁶⁸ M

¹¹⁰ If a Cohen were present, he took precedence in saying Grace after meals.

¹¹¹ Such scrupulosity was not general after the destruction of the Temple.

cost of a colleague's¹¹² disgrace; never did the curse of my fellow-man come up on my couch—just as Mar-Zuṭra, when he went to bed, was wont to say: Let every one be forgiven who has done me annoy. Further, I was generous with my money.

R. 'Aḳiba inquired of R. Neḥunya the Great, saying: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto him: I never in my life accepted presents; I never exacted retaliation;¹¹³ and I was generous with my money.

So was R. Eleazar wont to refuse gifts sent from the house of the Patriarch. Nor would he accept invitations there, saying, Is it unpleasant to you that I should live? for it is written (Prov. 15. 27): He who hates gifts shall live. R. Zera refused gifts and accepted invitations under similar circumstances, regarding it as a compliment to his host. Nor did I bear resentment for offences against me. For Raba said: He who pardons others is himself pardoned of his own transgressions. As it is written (Micah 7.18): He forgives iniquity and he passes over transgression. To whom does He forgive iniquity? The one who passes over transgression.

His disciples inquired of R. Zera: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: Never did I lose my temper in my home; never

¹¹² Or fellow-man's.

¹¹³ More generally: "I never insisted on my just rights." Rashi's note is: "I never repaid an evil requital to one who had troubled me."

חבירי. ולא עלתה על מטתי קללת חבירי.⁶⁹ כי הא
דמר זוטרא כי הוה סליק לפורייה אמר שרי ליה⁷⁰
לכל מאן דצערן. וותרן בממוני הייתי.

שאל ר' עקיבא את ר' נחוניא הגדול. אמר לו
במה הארכת ימים? אמר לו. מימי לא קבלתי
מתנות. ולא עמדתי על מדותי. וותרן בממוני הייתי:

לא קבלתי מתנות כי הא דרבי אלעזר. כי הוה
משדרי ליה מתנות מבי נשיאה לא הוה שקיל. כי
הוה מזמני ליה לא הוה אזיל. אמר להו לא ניחא
לכו דאחיה? דכתיב ושונא מתנות יחיה. רבי זירא
כי הוה משדרי ליה מבי נשיאה לא הוה שקיל. כי
הוה מזמני ליה אזיל. אמר אתייקורי דמתייקרי בי.
ולא עמדתי על מדותי. דאמר רבא כל המעביר
על מדותיו מעבירין⁷¹ ממנו כל פשעיו. שנאמר נשא
עון ועבר על פשע. למי נשא עון? למי שעבר על
פשע:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי זירא. במה הארכת
ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא הקפדתי בתוך ביתי.

⁶⁹ M. קללת חבירי על מטתי לא עלתה עמי.

⁷⁰ M. שרי להו מחיל לכל מאן דצערן.

⁷¹ M. לו על כל.

did I step in front of one greater than myself; I never even meditated in foul alleys; I never walked four cubits without Torah and Tephillin; I never slept or dozed in the Bet Hamidrash; I never rejoiced at a colleague's disgrace; I never called a fellow-man by a nickname¹¹⁴ (Megillah 27b-28a.)

It was said of R. Hanina B. Hama that when eighty years of age he was still able to stand on one foot while removing or putting on his shoe. He said: 'The warm baths, and the oil with which my mother anointed me in my youth have stood me in good stead in my age'.¹¹⁵ (When the Patriarch Judah appointed him head of the college on his death-bed) Hanina refused any higher than third place, and he survived many years. His longevity in office was attributed by himself alternatively to that act of self denial or to his making a detour on his journey from Tiberias to Sephoris in order to pay his respects to R. Simeon b. Halafta. (Hullin, 24b; J. T. Ta'anit, 68a; Kohelet Rabbah, vii, 6).

¹¹⁴ "An opprobrious surname" or "a by-name." (Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 482). The use of such names would be both frivolous and offensive.

¹¹⁵ Hanina was a physician, cf. Bacher, *Die Agadah der Palästinenensischen Amoräer*, I. 3.

ולא צעדתי בפני מי שגדול ממני. ולא הרהרתי במבואות המטונפות. ולא הלכתי ארבע אמות בלא תורה ובלא תפלין.⁷² ולא ישנתי בבית המדרש לא שינת קבע ולא שינת ארעי. ולא ששתי בתקלת חבירי. ולא קראתי לחבירי בחניכתי.⁷³ (פגלה כ"ז כ"ח) אמרו עליו על רבי חנינא (ב' חמא) שהיה בן שמונים שנה והיה עומד על רגלו אחת וחולץ מנעלו ונועל מנעלו. אמר ר' חנינא חמין ושמן שסכתני אמי בילדותי הן עמדו לי בעת זקנותי... קביל עלוי ר' חנינא למתמני תליתוי וזכה למארכה שנין סגין. אמר לית אנא ידע מן בגין מה זכיתי מארכה שנין סגין. מן בגין הדא מילתא. ואם מן בגין דהוינא סליק מן טבריה לציפורין והוינא עקים איסטרטיא שאיל בשלמיה דרבי שמעון בן הלפתא: (חולין כ"ד ב', ירושלמי תענית ס"ח א, קהלת רבה ז' ו').

72 תפלה M 72.

73 בהכנתו M 73.

ספר ארחות חיים להרב ר' אליעזר הגדול

THE "PATHS OF LIFE", BY R. ELEAZAR
THE GREAT.

II

THE "PATHS OF LIFE"

BY R. ELEAZAR THE GREAT.

In 1544 there appeared at Venice an octavo volume containing various items, fourth among them (pp. 79b-84a) the "Paths of Life by Rabbi Eleazar the Great" (ספר (ארחות חיים לרבי אליעזר הגדול ז"ל). It is generally held that this Testament is the earliest extant specimen of the type of ethical literature dealt with in the present volume; and its author was Eleazar ben Isaac of Worms; and that its date is the middle of the eleventh century. This Eleazar, known as the Great, was a highly reputed authority (see *J. E.*, v, 115).

This identification of the author is due to Lonzano (*Shete Yadot* 122a) and is accepted by Zunz (*Zur Geschichte und Literatur*, Berlin, 1845, p. 124). Jellinek was inclined to place the work a century or more earlier, or at all events to associate it with the same period as another work attributed to Eleazar the Great, viz. the *Chapters of Rabbi Eleazar*, which is probably a ninth century product. The present writer is inclined to place the *Paths of Life* later, not earlier, than the date assigned by Lonzano. The similarity between the Testament and the Zohar, a similarity well brought out by the title-page of the Salonica edition of 1568 and by the notes in Leiner's Lublin edition of 1903, seems to point to a period when the mystical school had made its influence felt.

Popularly and in the editions, the author is described as a much earlier Eleazar than Lonzano's. This would be

ספר ארחות חיים להרב ר' אליעזר הגדול:

בשנת ש"ד יצא לאור בויניציה כרך אקטאווא המכיל ענינים שונים, ומהם הרביעי (דף ע"ט:-פ"ד.) ספר „ארחות חיים“ לרבי אליעזר הגדול ז"ל. הכל מסכימים שהצואה הזאת היא הדונמא היותר מוקדמת שנשארה לנו מספרות המוסר ממין זה אשר אנחנו עוסקים בו בכרך שלפנינו, שמחברה היה רבי אליעזר בן יצחק מוורמז'ה, ושזמנה הוא אמצע המאה האחת עשרה. אליעזר זה, המכונה „הגדול“, היה בר אורין משובח ובר סמכא מפורסם (עיין באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך חמישי, דף קט"ו).

מנחם לונזאנו (שתי ידות, דף קכ"ב.) המציא את שם המחבר הנעלם, וצונץ (צור געשיכטע אונד ליטעראטור, ברלין תר"ה, דף קכ"ד) הסכים לו. יעללינעק נטה להאמין שספר זה נכתב כמאה שנים או יותר קודם לזמן הנזכר לעיל, ובכל אופן השתדל ליחסו לתקופתו של חבור אחר המיוחס לרבי אליעזר הגדול, הלא הוא „פרקי רבי אליעזר“ אשר מוצאו הוא בלי ספק מן המאה התשיעית. כותב הטורים האלה נוטה לקבוע לספר „ארחות חיים“ זמן יותר מאוחר, ולא מוקדם, מזה שקבע לו לונזאנו. הרמיון שבין הצואה והזהר, רמיון הבולט היטב ע"י שער הספר של מהדורת סלוניקא שכ"ח וההערות במהדורת לובלין תרס"ג של ליינער, מורה על תקופה שבה השפעת האסכולה המיסתית היתה כבר נכרת ומורגשת.

במסורת העם ובמהדורות הספר מתואר המחבר אליעזר כמו איש שחי שנים הרבה לפני אליעזר של לונזאנו. אפשר

Eleazar ben Hyrkanos (on whom see *J.E.*, v, 113), who lived in the first and second centuries of the current era, and is also the reputed author of the *Chapters* already alluded to. The text opens with the talmudic account of the last illness of this older Eleazar (T. B. Sanhedrin 68a). Elsewhere (Ber. 28b) we are told how R. Eleazar on his death-bed taught his disciples the "*Paths of Life*", and this fact would easily suggest the compilation of just such a work as we are now considering.

Recently a distinguished scholar, G. Klein of Stockholm, has urged that the Testament is a genuine work of the earlier Eleazar son of Hyrkanos. His arguments are interesting but quite unconvincing (See his work *Der älteste christliche Katechismus und die jüdische Propaganda-Literatur*, Berlin, 1909, pp. 101 seq.).

According to the popular view now reinforced by the opinion of Klein, the son addressed is Hyrkanos. If Lonzano's theory be true, the son referred to is the famous medieval writer, Tobiah son of Eleazar, a contemporary of Rashi. (On Tobiah and his writings, see Zunz, *G. V.*, ed. 1892, p. 307; S. Buber's Preface to Tobiah's *Leḳaḥ Tob*, Wilna, 1844; and the article in *J. E.*, xii, 169). Thus this son, so frequently admonished in the Testament, was a worthy offspring of a worthy father. It may be suggested that, in the injunction to seek the knowledge of God, the citation of Prov. 19. 2 (בלא דעת נפש לא טוב) is a play on the son's name.

שחשבוהו לאליעזר בן הורקנוס (ראה אודותיו באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך חמישי, דף קי"ג) שחי במשך המאות הראשונה והשניה של התאריך הנוכחי ואשר אליו מיחסים את פרקי רבי אליעזר הנזכרים לעיל. הצואה פותחת בספור התלמוד ע"ד מחלתו האחרונה של אליעזר זה הקדום (תלמוד בבלי, סנהדרין ס"ח.). במקום אחר (ברכות כ"ח:) אנחנו קוראים שעל ערש מיתתו הורה רבי אליעזר לתלמידיו, אורחות חיים, ואין כל ספק שעובדא זו היא אחראית בעד חבור ספר כזה אשר אנחנו עוסקים בו כעת.

בימים האחרונים השתדל תלמיד חכם מובהק, ג. קליין משטוקהולם, להוכיח שהצואה הזאת היא באמת מעשה ידי אליעזר בן הורקנוס. סברותיו יש בהן טעם, אבל אינן מוכיחות כלום (עיין בחבורו, דער אלטעסטע כריסטליכע קאטעכיזמוס אונד דיע יודישע פראפאגאנדא-ליטעראטור, ברלין תרס"ט, דף ק"א וכו').

לפי השקפת העם, המסתייעה כעת ע"י דעתו של קליין, הבן אשר אליו שלוחה הצואה הוא הורקנוס. אכן אם סברתו של לונזאנו היא נכונה, הבן הוא המחבר המפורסם של ימי הבינים, טוביה בן אליעזר, בן דורו של רש"י (ע"ד טוביה וספריו ראה צונץ, גאטטעסדיענסטליכע פארטרעגע, הוצאת תרנ"ב, דף ש"ז; הקדמת שלמה בובער ל, לקח טוב של טוביה, ווילנא תר"ב; וגם המאמר עליו באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שנים עשר, דף קס"ט). ובכן הבן הזה, אשר אביו מיסרהו כל כך בצואתו, היה זרע הגון של אב הגון. נחוץ להעיר שבאזהרתו להשתדל לדעת את הבורא יתברך אפשר שהכתוב ממלי י"ט ב' (בלא דעת נפש לא טוב) הוא רמז לשמו של הבן.

The Testament, besides its ethical value, has also folklore interest. Some parallels between the Testament and the German *Winsbeke* of 1210 are drawn by M. Güdemann in his *Geschichte des Erziehungswesens*, etc. Vienna, 1880, p. 121.

For editions of the text see Benjacob, p. 50. The present text is based on the Venice editions of 1544 (A) and 1623 (C). The British Museum MS. Add. 27100 (B) has also been collated, and so has the Lublin edition apparently of the year 1572 (L). The MS. referred to agrees closely with the edition of 1544, from which it was possibly copied. Yet it offers some useful variants.

The esteem in which the Testament was held is shown by the not infrequent citations of it as authoritative by important writers on Jewish law and custom.

[They told¹ how, when Rabbi Eleazar the Great lay sick, the Sages paid him a visit. When he saw them he said to them: "I doubt whether the wise men of this generation have enough regard for their lives".² They asked: "Rabbi, why speakest thou so?" He answered, "In that ye have not waited upon me." Later, R. 'Aqiba entered, excusing his previous neglect on the ground of lack of leisure. 'Aqiba's heart melted within him at R. Eleazar's rebuke. "My Master," cried 'Aqiba, "instruct me!" In that hour Eleazar taught him three hundred definite decisions concerning the "spot sparkling as snow".³

¹ See the Variants in T. B. Sanh. 68a; Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 25; and parallels.

² A threat is implied to the effect that the offence may have fatal consequences.

³ With reference to the plague. Cf. Nega'im i, 1, etc.

מלבר ערכה המוסרי יש לצואה זו גם ערך פולקלורי.
מ. גידעמאן, בספרו „געשיכטע דעס ערציעהונסוועזענס אונד
דער קולטור דער אבענדלענדישען יודען וועהרענד דעס
מיטטעאלטערס“, וויען תר"ם, דף קכ"א, מצא איזו נקודות
מקבילות בין הצואה הזאת ושיר המוסר שכתב המשורר
האשכנזי ווינסבעקע בערך שנת 1210.

בנוגע להוצאות הצואה עיין ב. אוצר הספרים של בן-יעקב,
דף נ'. הנוסח הנוכחי נוסד על מהדורות וויניציאה של ש"ד
(A) ושפ"ג (C). השויתי גם כ"י Add. 27100 אשר במחוז
הבריטי (B) ומהדורת לובלין אשר כפי הנראה מוצאה משנת
של"ב (L). כ"י הג'ל מתאים עפ"י רוב למהדורת ש"ד, ואפשר
שהוא העתק ממנה; ובכ"ז נמצאים בו איזה שינויים מועילים.
חשיבות הצואה נראית מן העובדא שלפעמים קרובות
נסתייעו בה מחברים גדולים ופוסקים מפורסמים וביאו את
דבריה בתור סעד וסמך לחוקים ומנהגים ידועים.

ינאמרו שכשחלה רבי אליעזר הגדול נכנסו
חכמים אצלו: כשראה אותם, אמר להם, תמה אני
על חכמי הדור אם ימותון מיתת עצמן: אמרו לו,
רבי למה? אמר להם, מפני שלא שמשותם אותי:
לאחר כך נכנס רבי עקיבא ברבי יוסף: אמר לו,
מפני מה לא באת לשמש אותי? אמר לו, לא היה לי
פנאי: אמר לו, עקיבא תמה אני אם תמות מיתת
עצמך: באותה שעה נתחלחלו איבריו של רבי
עקיבא ונמס לבוי בקרבו: אמר לו, רבי למדני!

¹ This introduction appears in all versions of the text.

² B נהח לו. ³ A דמו.

Then he called for his son Hyrkanos, and placed him at his right hand. R. Eleazar wept and said: "My son! Up to this day I have treated thee severely, and have shown little affability. My object was to subdue thee to the fear of thy Maker. But now, my son, behold I go into the pleasance of the Lord and His beauty. Come, I will teach thee the Paths of Life." Then R. Eleazar opened his discourse with the text ⁴: "Lord I have heard the report of thee and am afraid."]

My son! Give glory to God and offer unto Him thanks. Remember that He created thee out of clay, and brought thee into the world, fashioning thy body and its parts without help from thee. For thou hast need of Him, He has no need of thee.

My son! Trust not in thyself until the day of thy death⁵; a decision according to the Rabbis is law (i. e. overrides individual opinion). Have no confidence in thy physical well-being in this world. Many have lain down on their couch never to rise again. Many have gone to their beds in good cheer and in robust health to awake in trouble and pain.

My son! Take heed to hold constant intercourse with the wise. Rely not on thine own

⁴ Hab. 3.2.

⁵ Hillel's saying, Abot ii, 5. It has not been thought necessary to give the reference to the many quotations from Abot, in the course of this and other Testaments.

באותה שעה שנה לו שלש מאות הלכות פסוקות
 על בהרת עזה כשלג: קרא להורקנוס בנו. וישימהו
 על יד ימינו: בכה רבי אליעזר ואמר, בני! עד היום
 הייתי מתנהג עמך ברוגז. ולא הסברתי לך פנים
 כדי לכופ אותך ביראת קונך. ועתה בני! הנני הולך
 לנועם ה' והדרו. בא ואלמדך אורחת חיים: פתח
 רבי אליעזר ואמר, ה' שמעתי שמעך יראתי:

בני! שים נא כבוד לה' ותן לו תודה, וזכור כי
 מחומר עשאך והוא הוציאך לאויר העולם. וכונך
 בעצמות עצם אל עצמו. והכניסך בעולם הזה
 ואתה לא הכנסתו בו. כי הוא אינו צריך לך ואתה
 צריך לו:

בני! אל תאמין בעצמך עד יום מותך. הלכתא
 כרבנן הלכתא. אבל לא תאמין עצמך בשלות גופך
 בעולם הזה: כמה שכבו על מטתם ולא קמו.⁴ כמה
 שכבו על מטתם שמחים וטובי לב וקמו בחלאים
 רעים. כמה שכבו על מטתם בריאים והקיצו
 במכאובים רבים:⁵

בני! הוי זהיר להתאבק תמיד באבק עפר רגלי

⁴ So L. The usual reading is הכנסת.

⁵ C omits this clause. ⁶ So C. A רעים.

opinion, nor art thou permitted to say to others: "Accept my view!"

My son! Fear the God of thy father and serve Him⁶. Be diligent in reciting the evening Shema' and the morning prayer⁷. Thus David, of blessed memory, said⁸: "Evening and morning and at noonday will I complain and moan,—and He hath heard my voice." These prayers were the ordinance of the first Fathers⁹. Attach chief importance to the evening prayer, for Jacob our Father instituted it. Indeed, the Scripture has made him first of the Patriarchs, as it is said¹⁰: "And behold the Lord stood beside him and said, I am the Lord, the God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac." Thus, in the first instance God mentioned His holy name over Jacob, and afterwards spoke of Himself as God of Abraham and of Isaac.

My son! Be thou fleet as a hart, in thine eagerness to read the Shema' at the proper hour. Postpone it not to the latest moment allowed by prescription. For the enthusiastic and the scrupulous perform their duties at the earliest instant.¹¹ Whoever reads the Shema' in its due time glorifies his Creator. Take care, on retiring to rest, to recite this same declaration of Unity and Love, sanctifying thyself and ador-

⁶ The context shows that the author is referring to the fine rabbinic idea that "Prayer is the service of the heart" (T. B. Ta'anit 24).

⁷ The text seems corrupt here.

⁸ Psalms 55.18.

⁹ T. B. Ber. 26b.

החכמים. ואל תסמוך על דעתך. ואינך רשאי לומר
קבלו דעתי!

בני! ירא את ה' אלהי אביך ועבדהו. והוי זהיר
בקריאת שמע של ערבית ובתפלה של שחרית.
כמו שאמר דוד ע"ה, ערב ובקר וצהרים אשיחה
ואהמה וישמע קולי. כמו שתקנו אבות הראשונים:
ותפלת ערבית שים ראשונה לכל התפלות. כי
יעקב אבינו תקן אותה. והכתוב עשהוי ראש לכל
האבות. שנאמר, והנה ה' נצב עליו ויאמר אני ה'
אלהי אברהם אביך ואלהי יצחק. בתחלה הזכיר
שמו הקדוש עליו ואחר כך אלהי אברהם ואלהי
יצחק:

בני! הוי קל כצבי ואל תהי עצל לקרוא ק"ש
בעונתה. ואל תעכב אותה לשיעור דרבנן. כי
הזריזים והזהירים מקדימים למצות. וכל הקורא
ק"ש בעונתה נותן כבוד לבוראו: הוי זהיר בק"ש
על מטתך ולקדש עצמך ולברך לבוראך. ושכבת
וערבה שנתך: ולאחר שתקדש עצמך בזה אל תספר

⁷ A and C עשו. Such variants are not here collated.

⁸ So L. A, etc. read ואל.

¹⁰ Gen. 28.13. Cf. Tanḥuma and Zohar on this text.

¹¹ T. B. Yoma 28b.

ing the Lord, then shalt thou lie down and thy sleep will be pleasant. After thou hast sanctified thyself by these means, speak no idle phrase, do no carnal act, for thou art hallowed with the holiness of thy Maker. Thy soul ascends, and thou knowest not whether it deserve admission before Him. "When thou awakest it shall talk with thee".¹² The sons of the priests enter to partake of their appointed meal and thy soul ascends at that hour; if thou art worthy, thou shalt go in with them; if unworthy, they will thrust thee outside.¹³

My son, when thou wakest from thy sleep at midnight, converse with thy wife in chaste terms, using no indecent expression, even in jest, for this too wilt thou be called to account! If thou wakest at other hours, let not thine heart indulge in impure fancies, for evil thought leads to evil deed.¹⁴ How goodly and how sweet that thou be ever prepared to form one of the righteous company which enters with God, thus drawing o'er thyself the thread of His Love, and finding thy pleasant lot with the righteous in Paradise! Shouldst thou be worthy of this, happy art thou, well will it be with thee!¹⁵

My son! Keep a vessel of water always near thy couch. On rising at morn do not begin to dress before washing thy hands, nor receive thy garments from another in the same condition, for

¹² Prov. 6.22.

¹³ Cf. Midrash to Psalm 25; Rabbah on Eccles. 10.4.

¹⁴ Kallah Rabbete ch. 2; Derek Erez Zutṭa ch. 6.

¹⁵ Psalm 128.2.

בדברים בטלים. ואל תעסוק עם אשתך בדבר אחר הואיל וכבר קדשת עצמך בקדושת קונך. כי נשמתך תעלה ואינך יורע היאך יקבלוה לעמוד לפניו. והקיצות היא תשיחך. בני! הכהנים נכנסין לאכול בתרומתן ונשמתך עולה באותה שעה. אם תזכה תכנס ביניהן ואם לאו ירחו אותך בחוץ: בני! כשתעור משנתך בחצות הלילה, אז תספר עם אשתך בקדושה. ואל תנבל את פיך, ואפילו דרך שחוק. כי אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון על שיחה שבינך ובין אשתך: וכשתקיץ⁹ משנתך אל יפנה לבך בהרהורים רעים. כי ההרהור מביא לידי מעשה: הנה מה טוב ומה נעים כשהקב"ה נכנס עם הצדיקים, שתהיה מצוי בתוכן. למשוך חוט של חסד עליך, להיות גורלך¹⁰ עם הצדיקים בן עדן. ואם תזכה ותהיה עמהם אשריך וטוב לך! בני! הוי זהיר בכלי של מים סמוך למטתך. וכשתקום בבקר, אל תטול חלוקך ללבוש בלא

⁹ וכשתקוץ A. וכשתקוע B.

¹⁰ גור לך I.

the spirit of uncleanness rests on the hands. Pass not thine unwashed hands over thine eyes, intending harm to an enemy, lest thy plot fail and thy gaze prove baneful to thy friends, though harmless to thy foes.¹⁶

My son! Keep thy body pure, cleanse the abode of thy soul! Beware lest thou make it detestable, thyself the cause of thine own rejection!

My son! Be not impatient when I thus insist on this subject. Laving the hands is one of the sublime things which stand on the height of the world. Beware, lest by neglect in this regard, thou become as one excommunicated, and forfeit future bliss. For when thou wasthest thy hands thou art bound to stretch them on high in adoration of thy Maker¹⁷; it were unseemly to do so with foul fingers.

My son! Never attire thyself without benediction. Even as men should offer thanks for the enjoyment of food, so must they do for the gift of raiment. He who dresses without blessing shall wear worm and clod in the grave, and the worms cause as much pain to the dead as a needle in raw flesh.^{17a}

¹⁶ T. B. Shabb. 62b, 108b; Ber. 19a, 60b; Maimonides Hilch. Tephilah, ch. 4. See *J. E.*, v, 280. The combination of mysticism with popular folk-lore is exemplified in parts of the Zohar, which has many parallels to this Testament (See the Notes of Leiner, in the edition Lublin, 1903).

¹⁷ T. B. Soṭah 4b.

^{17a} Ber. 18b.

נטילת ידים. לא מירך, ולא מיד אחר שלא נטל ידיו. כי רוח הטומאה שורה בידים: ואל תעביר אותם על גבי עיניך, פן יכשלו רבים במראית עיניך. כי אין ברכה שורה במראה עין שקבל טומאה. ואי עבד להסתכל בשונאו, שונא נמלט ואוהבו נכשל:

בני! הוי זהיר לנקות גופך ולפנות דירת נפשך שלא תשקצנה. ואל תהי גורם להיות נמאס:

בני! הוי זהיר בנטילת ידים. כי נטילת ידים בכלל הדברים העומדים ברומו של עולם. וכל המזלזל בנטילת ידים מנודה לשמים. וכל שכן דאין לו חלק לעולם הבא: וכשתרחץ ידיך, זקוף אצבעותיך למעלה, וברך ליוצרך: ואל תברך עד שיהיו הידים רחוצות. כי אסור להזכיר קדושת שמו בלכלוך הידים כשהן מזוהמות. ואל תטול ידיך ממי שלא נטל ידיו:

בני! אל תלבש בגדיך בלא ברכה. כי כשם שנהנה האדם לתת אוכל לנפשו, וצריך לברך על הנאת האוכל, כך צריך לברך על הנאת המלבוש בכל עת שילבש. וכל מי שלא בירך על מלבושיו ילבש ברמה וגוש עפר בקבר. וקשה אותה רמה כמחט בבשר החי:

My son! Wrap thyself in the wrapping of duty¹⁸, that on the body of the righteous may rest the robe of the commandment. If one is not so enwrapped, his attire is called the garment of the treacherous; he beareth false witness against himself.¹⁹

My son! Prepare to meet thy God,²⁰ with a diadem of honor on thy brow,²¹ precious oil on thy head.²² These are the phylacteries, bearing thy Creator's Name, a chaplet of grace for thine adornment. "And all the peoples of the earth shall see that the Name of the Lord is called upon thee, and they shall stand in awe of thee"²³. Bind them also on thine arm, the seal²⁴ of His image, the likeness of the Glory of God. Day by day goeth forth a Heavenly Voice, which proclaims:²⁵ "Be ye clean, ye that bear the vessels of the Lord." Before a man, in that hour, there walk three Angels,²⁶ who cry: "Give glory to the Icon (image) of the King," and they apply to such a one the Scripture: "Thou art My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."²⁷

¹⁸ The fringed garment—a phrase used also in the Zohar. For the whole paragraph, cf. the Zohar on Beshallah (163, 175, etc.)

¹⁹ Applying Isaiah 24. 16. Cf. T. B. Ber. 14b.

²⁰ Amos 4.12. Applied in this sense T. B. Shabb. 10a.

²¹ T. B. Ber. 11a, Ta'anit 16a. Tur O. H. 25.3.

²² Ps. 133.2. So interpreted T. B. Shabbat 153a.

²³ Deut. 28.10. On this point see my *Studies in Pharisaism and the Gospels*, 2nd series p. 203.

בני! הוי זהיר להתעטף בעטיפת מצוה, כסוי מצוה על גוף צדיק ינוח. וכל מי שאין כסוי מצוה בגופו נקרא לבושו בגד בוגדים בגדו, כי מעיד עדות שקר בעצמו:

בני! הכון לקראת אלהיך. ושים עטרת תפארת בראשך. השמן הטוב על הראש. והם התפלין. שם יוצרך ולוית חן הם לראשך. וראו כל עמי הארץ כי שם ה' נקרא עליך ויראו ממך. וקשור על זרועך חותם תבניתו הוא דמות כבוד ה': בת קול יוצאת בכל יום ואומרת, הברו,¹¹ נושאי כלי ה'! שלשה מלאכים הולכים לפני האדם באותה שעה ומכריזים ואומרים¹² תנו כבוד לדיוקנו של מלך ששכינת אל על ראשו ואומר לך עבדי אתה ישראל אשר בכך אתפאר:

¹¹ Several versions give the quotation inaccurately; thus A reads הבריות.

¹² A. ואומר.

²⁴ Cant. 8.6 is so applied in the Midrash.

²⁵ Cf. Rashi's note on Isaiah 52.11.

²⁶ On guardian angels see *J. E.*, i, 587.

²⁷ Is. 49.3.

My son! Go not early to thy comrade's abode, greeting him before thou hast greeted God.²⁸ It is written: "For three things the earth doth quake," and one of the three is, "for a handmaid that is heir to her mistress."²⁹ Do not thou let thy fellow-man usurp the dignity due to his Master!

My son! Be among the first ten in Synagogue, that thou mayest enjoy the reward of all the ten³⁰. Each of the other nine being in like case with thee, thy reward is increased a hundred-fold. Thus does public worship increase the worth of each man's prayer.³¹ Happy he who is numbered!

My son! Enter the presence of thy Creator with the deepest reverence; and when thou prayest, know before Whom thou standest!³²

My son! Exert all thy bodily powers to attain to holiness, to subdue thy will unto God! "All my bones shall say: Lord who is like unto Thee, Who deliverest the poor from him who is too strong for him." And again: "Ascribe ye strength unto God," "God the Lord is my strength."³³

²⁸ T. B. Ber. 14a, Nedarim 32b.

²⁹ Prov. 30.21

³⁰ T. B. Ber. 47b.

³¹ Based on a verbal play on the text Prov. 8.17. The double ך in the word יִצְחָק would amount numerically to 100 by *Gematriah*.

³² T. B. Ber. 28b, in the name of Eleazar the Great.

³³ Ps. 35.10, 48.35; Hab. 3 (end). Cf. Yalkuṭ on first passage.

בני! אל תשכים לבית חבירך¹³ להזכיר עליו
שם שמים לברכו. כתיב תחת שלש רגזה ארץ.
ואחת מהם שפחה כי תירש גבירתה. וכל המברך
נשמת חבירו קודם ברכת השם מוריש לשפחה
הגברת:¹⁴

בני! הוי זהיר שתהיה מעשרה הראשונים בבית
הכנסת. להיותך נוטל שכר כנגד כולם. כנגד כל
העשרה, או כנגד כל הבאים? הלכתא כרבנן
הלכתא. אלא נוטל שכר כנגד כל העשרה. וכל
אחד מן העשרה הראשונים שכרו כנגד כלם והם
כלל מאה. וזהו ומשחרי ימצאנני¹⁵ בשני נונין. אשרי
הנמנה!

בני! כשתכנס לפני יוצרך תכנס באימה וביראה.
וכשאתה מתפלל דע לפני מי אתה עומד: בני! כל
עצמותך תרגיש לקדש¹⁶ בקדושה בכח גדול, לכופ
יצרך אצלו. משום, כל עצמותי תאמרנה ה' מי
כמוך. מציל עני מחזק ממנו. ומשום, תנו עוז
לאלהים, למנצח בנגינותי:

¹³ A. חבריך.

¹⁴ ירושת הגברת C.

¹⁵ ימצאונני A.

¹⁶ לקדיש A.

My son! In the house of learning, speak no idle words; but incline thine ear to the discourse of the wise. Consider nothing negligible; despise no man. For many pearls are found in the poor man's tunic. Nor may any man invade his neighbor's bounds,³⁴ nor expect to discover doctrine which his fellow is appointed to reveal, seeing that all was ordained before the Lord from the day on which the Law was created.

My son! Be zealous in visiting the sick, for sympathy lightens pain. Urge the patient to return, a penitent, to his Maker. Pray for him, and depart! Do not fatigue him by staying too long, for his malady is heavy enough already. Enter cheerfully, for his heart and eyes are on those who come in.³⁵

My son! Bear thy part regularly in the burial of the dead, delivering them into the hand of their Maker, for great is this duty. Unto one who does a kindness which the receiver cannot requite, God renders unmerited favors.³⁶

My son! Comfort the mourners, and speak to their heart.³⁷ The companions of Job were held punishable merely because they reproached when they should have consoled him.³⁸ Thus it is written³⁹: "Ye have not spoken of Me the thing that is right, as My servant Job hath."

³⁴ Cf. Yoma 38b. Mid. on Prov. 2.7.

³⁵ Cf. Midrash on Ps. 41, T. B. Shabbat 32a, Ned. 40a.

³⁶ T. B. Ber. 18a, Sukkah 49a; Rabbah on Gen. 47.29.

³⁷ Gen. 50.21. Cf. Abot de R. Nathan 14.

³⁸ Pesikta (Buber) p. 117b.

³⁹ Job 42.7.

בני! אל תשיח שום שיחה בבית המדרש. והט
אזנך ושמע¹⁷ דברי חכמים. ואל תהי בז לכל דבר
ואל תהי בז לכל אדם. כי כמה מרגליות ימצאו
באפקריסתו של עני: אין אדם נכנס לתחומו של
חבירו. ואין אדם יכול לחדש דבר בתורה שחבירו
מזומן לחדשו. כי הכל מוכן לפניו, מיום שהתורה
נבראת:

בני! הוי זהיר לבקר את החולה. כי המבקרו
מקל חליו. והשתדל עמו לשוב לקונו. והתפלל
עליו וצא! אל תכביר עליו ישיבתך, כי די לו
מכובד חליו¹⁸: כשתכנס לחולה תכנס אצלו
בשמחה. כי לבו ועיניו על הנכנסים עליו:

בני! הוי זהיר להוצאת המת לקוברו. ולהכניסו
ביד קונך. כי מצוה גדולה היא עליך: כל העושה
חסד חנם הקב"ה עושה עמו חסד חנם:

בני! הוי זהיר לנחם אבלים ולדבר על לבם.
כי לא היו ראויים להענש חביריו של איוב אלא
על שאמרו לו דברי קנטורין ולא דברי נוחמים.
דכתיב, כי לא דברתם אלי נכונה כעבדי איוב:

¹⁷ לשמע.

¹⁸ חוליו A.

My son! "Better is it to go to the house of mourning than to the house of feasting,"⁴⁰ to discipline thy soul and pour out tears from thine eyes. He who sheds tears for a worthy man will not weep over his own children in their youth.⁴¹

My son! Join in bringing the bride to the canopy, help to gladden the bridegroom, for he who thus acts is as though he participated in the nuptial ceremony of the giving of the Law at Sinai.⁴²

My son! Show honor to the poor, and draw out thy soul unto him⁴³. Be punctilious to offer thy gift in secret, not in the public gaze. Give him food and drink in thy house, but do not watch him while he eats. His soul famishes, and perchance he swoops on the viands.⁴⁴

My son! Crush not the poor with harsh words, for the Lord will plead his cause. Such conduct rouses on high many accusers, to whom there is no defence. But he who treats the poor with good-will and generosity acquires intercessors to plead his cause.⁴⁵

My son! Prepare a viaticum for thy soul⁴⁶ and kindle a lamp to give light before thee. Leave it

⁴⁰ Eccles. 7.2. Cf. T. J. Ketub. 7.5.

⁴¹ T. B. Shabb. 105b.

⁴² Cf. Midrash on Numbers 7.1. There is a play on the words כלה and כלתו (bride).

⁴³ Isaiah 58.10.

⁴⁴ Job 9.26. Cf. Maim. Hilk. Berakot 7.6.

⁴⁵ Cf. Abot 4.11 for these terms.

⁴⁶ Cf. Tana Debe Eliyyahu 8, and parallels.

בני! טוב ללכת אל בית אבל מלכת אל בית
 משתה. לתת מוסר לנפשך, ולשפוך דמעות מעיניך.
 כי כל השופך דמעות על אדם כשר לא ישפוך
 דמעות על בניו כשהם קטנים.

בני! הוי זהיר בהכנסת כלה לחופה ולשמח
 חתן. שכל המשמחו כאלו קבל תורה מהר סיני.
 שנאמר, ויתן אל משה ככלותו. ככלתו כתיב. וראי
 יום שנתנה תורה כיום שנכנסה כלה לחופה:

בני! הוי זהיר לכבד לעני ולהפק לו נפשך. ולתת
 לו מתנה בסתר ולא בפרהסיא. והאכילהו והשקהו
 בביתך. והעלים עינך מלהסתכל בו כשהוא אוכל.
 כי נפשו רעבה ותטוש עלי אוכל¹⁹:

בני! אל תרכא לעני בדבריך. כי ה' יריב ריבם.
 ועון זה גורם לכמה קנטורין²⁰ למעלה, לגלות
 חטאתיו לרעה. ומליץ לא נמצא עליו. וכל העושה
 לו רצונו ודברים טובים, קונה לו כמה פרקליטין
 למעלה. וכולם מליצים עליו לטובה:

בני! תקן צרה לנפשך. והדליק נר להאיר
 לפניך. ואל תניחהו להאיר אחריך שמא לא יוכלו

¹⁹ So A. Some texts corrupt the quotation to טטוב
 עליו אוכל.

²⁰ Read קטניורין.

not to those who come after thee, lest they be unable to kindle it, and it be left forever unlit. And thou wilt remain "in the twilight, in the evening of the day, in the blackness of night and the darkness."⁴⁷

My son! Stop not thine ears at the cry of the poor, that the Lord may hearken to thy voice when thou criest. For he who is deaf to the appeal of others, when he crieth shall himself obtain no answer.⁴⁸

My son! Whenever thou prayest, hold thyself as destitute in the presence of thy Maker. For there are many accusers against thee^{48a}. Thus, Jacob realized this truth, for observe that he made himself like one poor and needy, for it is written: "I have an ox and an ass," like a poor and needy man.⁴⁹ So, too, King David describes himself in the same lowly terms, saying: "Incline thine ear, O Lord, and answer me; for I am poor and needy,"⁵⁰ though after a day of prayer^{50a} he ascribes to himself a divine quality, and says in the sequel: "Keep my soul, for I am godly." Strive thou to fulfil the text: "Glorify not thyself in the presence of the King."⁵¹

⁴⁷ Prov. 7.9. Cf. Midrash on Ps. 119.105. The metaphor is applied to the darkness of a future consequent on a wasted life.

⁴⁸ Prov. 21.13.

^{48a} A reference to Satan and his demons.

⁴⁹ Gen. 32.6. The Bible has the singular "ox" and "ass," used as collectives. But the author infers from this that Jacob intended to indicate poverty.

אחר־יך להא־ירו²¹. ואפילו שהוא לאחור לא
ידליקוהו לעולם. ותשאר אתה בנשף בערב יום
באישון לילה ואפלה:

בני! אל תאטם אזניך מזעקת דל, למען ישמע
ה' את קולך בזעקתך. וכל האוֹטם אזנו מזעקת
דל גם הוא יזעק ולא יענה:

בני! בכל תפלתך שים עצמך עני ואביון בפני
בוראך. כי כמה הם מקטרגים עליך. כאשר ידע
יעקב הענין. וראה שעשה דוגמתו כעני ואביון
דכתיב²² ויהי לי שור וחמור כעני ואביון. ודוד
המלך ע"ה אמר הטה ה' אוֹנך ענני כי עני ואביון
אני. כיון שעבר היום והמקום הכנים עצמו בחדר
בוראו שנאמר לאחריו שמרה נפשי כי חסיד אני.
וקיים בך אל תתהדר לפני מלך:

²¹ B. reads להא־ריך and omits next six words.

²² The reading of B is here adopted as against עשו for עשה of other texts.

⁵⁰ Ps. 86.1.

^{50a} The author plays upon the expression, "For unto Thee do I cry all the day," Ps. 86.3.

⁵¹ Prov. 25.6, applied to humility in prayer (Cf. Numbers Rabbah 4).

My son! Make full provision for the Sabbath joy, honoring it with all thy resources, nay beyond, in preparing repasts for day and night. Omit not the third meal. And order thy conversation aright on the Sabbath day. ⁵²

My son! Enter not thy house suddenly, still less enter thy neighbor's house without announcement.⁵³ Make not thyself too much feared in thine home, for this is the cause of many evils.⁵⁴

My son! Drive anger out of thine heart, "for anger resteth in the bosom of fools⁵⁵, and a strange god rests on their head." ⁵⁶

My son! Love the wise, and attach thyself to them. Seek to know thy Maker, for "that the soul be without knowledge is not good."⁵⁷ Salute all men and speak the truth.

My son! Be chaste, and self-restrained in all thine actions. When thou sittest at thy table to eat, remember that thou art in the presence of the King. Be not a snatcher or a glutton. Wash thy hands before and after the meal, for both actions are essential.⁵⁸ If thou drinkest while

⁵² T. B. Shabbat 113b, 117, etc.

⁵³ T. B. Pesah. 112a.

⁵⁴ T. B. Giṭṭin 6b and often.

⁵⁵ Eccles. 7.8.

⁵⁶ Anger is compared to idolatry. See T. B. Shabb. 105b, Maim. Hil. De'ot 2.3.

⁵⁷ Prov. 19.2.

⁵⁸ T. B. Ber. 53b.

בני! הוי זהיר בעונג שבת לכבדו כפי כחך ולענגו במאכל ובמשתה ובסעודת הלילה²³. אל תשים עצמך כעני כי אם תכבדהו²⁴ יותר מיכלתך והזהר בסעודה השלישית. והוי זהיר בדבורך ביום השבת. כי על הכל אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון:

בני! אל תכנס לביתך פתאום. וכל שכן לבית חבירך. ואל תטיל אימה יתירה בתוך ביתך כי כמה רעות גורמת האימה:

בני! הסר כעס מלבך. כי כעס בחיק²⁵ כסילים ינוח ואל זר שורה על ראשם:

בני! אהוב את החכמים, ורדוף אחריהם, השתדל לדעת בוראך. כי בלא דעת נפש לא טוב. והוי זהיר לתת שלום לכל אדם, ודבר אמת: בני! הוי זהיר להיות צנוע בכל מעשיך²⁶. והוי צנוע בדבר אחר: בני! כשתשב על שולחןך לאכול, דע שאתה עומד לפני המלך. אל תהי חצוף ובלען. הוי זהיר במים הראשונים ובמים אחרונים, כי שניהם לצורך. כשאוכלין בני השולחן, ואתה שותה, אל

²³ B omits these two words, substituting חלילה after כעני. ²⁴ So B adds. ²⁵ A inaccurately בלב.

²⁶ So B. But A, L read מנולה במקום. C, D בבית. הכסא ואל תפרע עצמך במקום מנולה.

the rest are eating, do not obtrusively recite the benediction over the wine. Speak not during the meal,⁵⁹ not even words of Torah.

My son! Nevertheless never omit to discourse of the Torah at the table,⁶⁰ for a table whereat there is no discourse of Torah is full of filthy vomit, in that the All-present is not in their thoughts.⁶¹

My son! When thou visitest a sick man who is without means, go not to him with empty hands. When he awakes, be quick to offer refreshment to him, and he will esteem it as though thou didst uphold and restore his soul ⁶². The Lord will requite thee!

My son! Reveal not thy secret to thy wife. ⁶³ Be of faithful spirit to all, ⁶⁴ betray not another's confidence even when thou art at strife with him.⁶⁵

My son! Eat herbs rather than beg from others, and if thou beggest, ask only for thine absolute need.⁶⁶ Prefer death to making thyself a burden on thy fellow-creatures!⁶⁷

My son! It is incumbent on thee to beget children, and to rear them for the study of the Torah. ⁶⁸ For their sake thou wilt be worthy of eternal life.⁶⁹

⁵⁹ T. B. Ta'anit 5b.

⁶⁰ After the meal.

⁶¹ For this application of Isaiah 28.8, see Abot 3.4.

⁶² T. B. Nedarim 40a.

⁶³ Micah 7.5. Genesis Rabbah 54.

⁶⁴ Prov. 11.13.

⁶⁵ Prov. 25.9. Cf. T. B. Hulin 89a.

תרים קולך בברכת היין. ואל תשיח בתוך הסעודה,
ואפילו בדברי תורה:

בני! הוי זהיר בדברי תורה לאמר על השולחן.
וכל שולחן שאין עליו דברי תורה נקרא קיא צואה
בלי מקום:

בני! הוי זהיר כשתכנס לחולה, ואין לו, אל
תכנס בידים ריקניות. כשיקום, הוי מקדים לו
המאכל. ויהשב עליך כאלו אתה מקימו ומשיב
נפשו. וגמולך ישלם לך בוראך:

בני! אל תגלה סודך לאשתך. הוי נאמן רוח אצל
כל אדם. ואל תגלה סוד חבירך²⁷ בריבך עמו.
כל שכן בהיותו בשקט עמך:

בני! הוי זהיר לאכול את העשבים ואל תשאל
מבני אדם. וכשתשאל שאל לצורך: תבחר מחנק
לנפשך ואל תצטרך לבריות:

בני! הוי זהיר להיות לך בנים, ולגדלם לתלמוד
תורה. כי בשבילם תזכה לחיי העולם הבא: בני!

²⁷ So B; while A reads סודך and C סודו.

⁶⁶ T. B. Pes. 114a; Sanh. 108b.

⁶⁷ Job 7.15. Cf. Rabbah on Exod. 31.12 and often.

⁶⁸ T. B. Yeb. 63b.

⁶⁹ T. B. Shabb. 127a; Sanh. 104a.

My son! Beware lest thy wife be over generous to her first son-in-law. Appoint not the latter as administrator over thy household.⁷⁰ My son! Approach not thy wife near her menstrual period. Avoid all grossness. Hold aloof from what is foul and from what has the appearance of foulness.⁷¹ Pass not behind a woman in the street nor between two women.

My son! Be on thy guard lest thou provoke any of the wise, for his anger is as a viper's venom, the poison of a basilisk which will not be charmed.⁷² But if there be death in such a one's wrath, there is life in his good-will.⁷³

My son! Walk not alone, judge not alone, testify not alone, nor be witness and judge at the same time. None may judge alone save One.⁷⁴

My son! Be no cause of plaint to orphan or widow, for God is the father of the fatherless and judge of the widows. Rob them not, seeing that He hath already deprived them of all their happiness.⁷⁵ Hence "He will despoil of life those that despoil them."

⁷⁰ T. B. Pes. 113; Ber. 63a. ⁷¹ T. B. Hullin 44b.

⁷² Ps. 140.4, Jer. 8.17. See the variant Abot ii, 6. Cf. *J. E.* v, 280. Contrast Hillel's proverbial graciousness (T. B. Shabb. 30). ⁷³ T. B. Ketub. 103a.

⁷⁴ Abot 4.4, 8; T. B. Makk. 12a.

⁷⁵ Klein renders: "Seeing that all the good that befalls them He has ordained." This is very forced, for קָבַץ is taken in two senses: *to rob* and *to fix*. A possible alternative is: "Seeing that he (their oppressor) robs them of all good." The texts quoted are Ps. 68.6, Prov. 22.23.

הוי זהיר באשתך מחתנה הראשון. ואל תמנהו
אפטרופוס בביתך: בני! אל תקרב לאשתך קרוב
לוסתה. והתרחק מן הכיעור ומן הדומה לו. ואל
תעבור אחרי אשה בשוק. ואל תעבור בין שתי
נשים:

בני! הוי זהיר שלא תקפיד לחכם. כי חמתו
חמת עכשוי. וחמתו צפעוני שאין לו לחש. חמתו
מות ורצונו חיים:

בני! אל תלך יחידי ואל תדין יחידי ואל תעיד
יחידי²⁸ ואל תהי עד ודיין כאחד²⁹. כי אין יחידי
ודיין זולתי אחד:

בני! הוי זהיר מזעקת יתום ואלמנה. כי הוא אבי
יתומים ודיין אלמנות. אל תהי להם קובע, הואיל
והוא קובע כל טוב שלהם. על כן הוא קובע את
קובעיהם נפש:

²⁸ This clause is omitted in several texts.

²⁹ B יחידי.

My son! Set all thy sins in the scale, and thy repentance will make even the balance. Thereafter add confession and prayer, to make overweight in thy favor.

My son! Keep far from a wicked neighbor, and from him whose reputation is evil, for what they say of him below accords with what they say of him on high.⁷⁶

My son! "Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thy heart be glad when he stumbleth, lest the Lord see it and it displease Him, and He turn away His wrath from him [to thee]." But "if thine enemy be hungry give him bread to eat."⁷⁷

My son! Pursue not after authority, for every thing is decreed from on high. God confers greatness where He wills, and daily He proclaims those whom He hath called by name. Thus is it written that Israel was called upon to recognize: "Behold the Lord hath called by name Bezalel."⁷⁸

My son! Be not as a fly o'er thy fellow-man's sore, leaving the healthy parts and pouncing on the plague spot. Cover up thy neighbor's disease, and lay not his corruption bare to the world.⁷⁹

My son! Haste to the performance of a duty, and let it not seem light in thine eyes. Say not, this is light, that is important, for thou knowest

⁷⁶ Cf. Abot 3.10.

⁷⁷ Prov. 24.17, 25.21.

⁷⁸ Exod. 31.2, 35.30. T. B. Ber. 55a. On Predestination see *J. E.* v, 351; x, 181.

⁷⁹ Cf. Mid. Tanhuma on Deut. 25.17.

בני! כל חטאתיך שים במשקל, ותשובתך
במאזנים ישאו יחד. ואחרי כן תן וידוי ותפלה
להכריע המשקל:

בני! התרחק משכן רע, ומאדם ששמועתו רעה.
כשם שאומרים עליו מלמטה, אומרים עליו
מלמעלה:

בני! בנפול אויבך אל תשמח פן יראה ה' ורע
בעיניו³⁰ והשיב מעליו אפו. אבל אם רעב שונאך
האכילהו לחם:

בני! אל תדרוף אחר השררה. כי הכל גזר
מלמעלה, ולאשר יחפוץ יתגנה. בכל יום הקב"ה
קורא על זה בעצמו, ראו קראתי בשם! ראו קרא
ה' בשם בצלאל:

בני! אל תהי כזבוב³¹ לחבירך על נגעו. שמניח
מקום בריא ושורה על הנגע. כסה לחבירך על נגעו
ואל תגלה קלקולו³² לעולם:

בני! הוי רץ לדבר מצוה. ואל תהי המצוה קלה
בעיניך. ואל תאמר זו קלה וזו חמורה. כי אינך

³⁰ So A. Several texts have לו.

³¹ So C, D; but A, B, L have the curious reading כאוב.

³² L קלקול.

not the grant of reward for each. Let all thy deeds be done in the Name of Heaven!⁸⁰

My son! Be not righteous overmuch, neither be thou overmuch wicked.⁸¹ Nor let thyself become over-yielding to the extent of drinking water left over from the lips of thy friend.⁸² For the breath cometh out from within his throat, and thou art unaware who is suffering from disease. Be bashful in all matters, but efface not thyself at the cost of thy health. Yet in the house of study be thou modest. Behave there as one unlearned, even though thy comrades laugh at thee for it.⁸³

My son! Sit not in the company of calumniators and slanderers, for all is noted on high, and is recorded in a book. And all who are present are inscribed in the list of offenders.

My son! Drink not borrowed waters⁸⁴, eat not from everyman's hand. Cook not in a pan which has already been used by another, still less if two have previously cooked in it and have departed from the world. For already the angel of destruction recognizes it⁸⁵.

⁸⁰ T. B. Ber. 6b; Abot 2.1, 4.2, etc.

⁸¹ Eccles. 7.16, 17.

⁸² Cf. Comm. on Tur Orah Hayyim Ch. 8.

⁸³ T. B. Ber. 43b.

⁸⁴ See *J.E.*, iv, 516.

⁸⁵ T. B. Pes. 111, 112; Yeb. 64b. These metaphors are often applied to cases of re-marriage.

יודע מתן שכרן של מצות. כל מעשיך יהיו לשם שמים:

בני! אל תהי צדיק הרבה ואל תרשע³³ הרבה. ואל תהי בישן הרבה, אפילו לשתות מים הנשארים מפיו של חבירך. כי ההבל יוצא מבית חללו ואינך יודע איזה חולה³⁴ בגופו: בכל דבר הוי בישן, ובמקום שההיזק שכיח³⁵ אל תהי בישן: לעולם הוי מנבל עצמך בבית המדרש. ואפילו ששחקו חביריך עליך:

בני! אל תשב בחבורת האומרים גנאי מחביריהם ובעלי לשון הרע. כי כל הדברים עולים, ובספר נכתבים. וכל העומדים שם נכתבים בחבורת³⁶ הרשע ובחבורת לשון הרע:

בני! אל תשתה מים שאולים. ואל תאכל מאכל מיד כל אדם. הוי משתין בפני מאה, ואל תשתה מים בפני אחד: בני! אל תבשל בקדרה שבשל בה חבירך. וכל שכן אם בשלו בה שנים ונסתלקו מן העולם. כי כבר מלאך משחית מכיר בה:

³³ B תרשיע. ³⁴ A חולי. ³⁵ A שכיב ההיזק.

³⁶ A B L חבורת, and so in next occurrence of word.

My son! Wed not an unworthy woman: woe to the tarnished who tarnishes his seed!⁸⁶ Absalom and Adonijah, the offspring of such a union, wrought many evils to Israel. They were unchaste and stirred up rebellion. My son! Have no marital intercourse with thy wife while she is suckling her child. Do not leave an infant in his cradle alone in the house by day or night, nor pass thou the night alone in any abode. For under such circumstances, Lilith seizes man or child in her fatal embrace.⁸⁷

My son! Zealously bring up thy children in the study of the Law. Withdraw them not from it! For he who so acts shortens his life; the Holy One weeps over such a one day by day.⁸⁸

My son! Drink no water that has been left uncovered overnight. Many pitfalls exist in the world, and in them men are caught, as birds are trapped in a snare.

My son! Sit not in the sun's shadow in the summer months (Tammuz and Ab); still less mayest thou sleep in the light of the moon, especially when it is crescent. Concerning these things does the text speak⁸⁹: "The sun shall not

⁸⁶ T. B. Kidd. 70a.

⁸⁷ On Lilith see *J.E.*, viii, 87.

⁸⁸ T. B. Hagigah 5b.

⁸⁹ Ps. 121.6

בני! הוי זהיר מאשה שאינה הגונה לך. אוי לו
 לפסול³⁷ שפוסל את זרעו! אבשלום גרם כמה רעות
 לישראל. רדף אחר אביו להרגו ושכב את נשיו.
 אדוניהו אחיו הפליג על המלוכה ובקש לאשת
 אביו³⁸: בני! הוי זהיר שלא תשמש מטתך בשעה
 שהיא מיניקת את בנה. ואל תניחהו³⁹ בעריסתו
 יחידי בבית, בין ביום ובין בלילה: ואל תהי ישן
 יחידי בלילה בשום בית. כי בדברים אלו לילית
 מזומנת להזיק. וכיון שאוחזת לאדם או לתינוק,
 היא מוציאתו מן העולם:

בני! הוי זהיר לגדל בניך לתלמוד תורה, ואל
 תסלקם ממנה. שכל המסלק בנו מן התורה יסתלקו
 ימיו מן העולם. מפני שהקב"ה בוכה עליו בכל
 יום ויום:

בני! הוי זהיר שלא תשתה מים מגולים בלילה.
 כי כמה מקטרגים משתכחים בעולם. ובהם נוקשים
 בני אדם כצפורים⁴⁰ הנאחזים בפח:

בני! אל תשב בצל חמה בימי תמוז ואב. וכל
 שכן שלא תישן בלילה לאור הלבנה. ועל זה נאמר

³⁷ L למי. ³⁸ A omits לאשת. The omission is explained
 by the reading of L ובקש אביו להרגו. ³⁹ C תנוח בנך.

⁴⁰ A, C, L ובהם יוקשים בני אדם חסרים כדנים.

smite thee by day nor the moon by night," by day because of Keteb Meriri, by night because of Igrath bath Mahalath.⁹⁰ But "the Lord shall keep thee from all evil, He shall keep thy soul. The Lord shall guard thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth and for ever."⁹¹

My son! Snatch not at flesh while the steam is rising from it, whether the meat be roasted or boiled. Eat no food prepared in a pan in which no cooking had been done for thirty days.⁹²

My son! Give unto thy Creator His share of all thy food. This, God's portion, belongs to the poor. Therefore select of the choicest viands on thy table and present them to thy Maker. "Thou shalt not curse the deaf, but thou shalt fear thy God."⁹³

My son! Be it known unto thee that the hope of the righteous is the happiness which is reserved in the fairest region of the universe, a treasured place and secret, wherein none may abide but the clean and sanctified souls invited to enter. It is the Holy One's Plantation of Delight, 'twas formed ere earth came into being, and is not of this world!⁹⁴

⁹⁰ Names given to evil spirits, T. B. Pes. 112b, etc. See *J.E.*, iv, 516.

⁹¹ Ps. 121.7.

⁹² For the folklore elements see *J.E.*, art. Demonology, and list of articles pp. 425-6. The coincidence of certain folk-superstitions with modern hygienic rules is very arresting. As Sir J. Frazer has shown, magic is in a sense early empirical science.

⁹³ This quotation of Levit. 19.14 seems to mean that the benefactor must not impose on the recipient's ig-

יומם השמש לא יככה וירח בלילה. ביום מפני קטב מרירי, ובלילה מפני אגרת בת מחלת. וכל שכן כשלבנה⁴¹ בחידושה. ה' ישמרך מכל רע ישמור את נפשך. ה' ישמור צאתך ובואך מעתה ועד עולם:

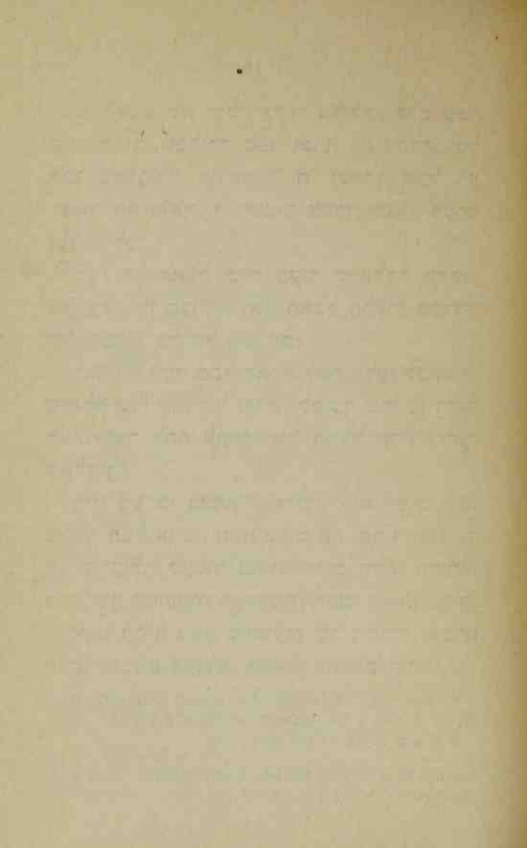
בני! אל תאכל בשר בעוד שמסלקת ההבל, בין צלי בין מבושל. ואל תאכל תבשיל מקדרה שלא בשלו בה שלושים יום:

בני! הוי זהיר מכל מאכל לתת חלקו לבוראך. והחלק שלו הוא של עניים. לפיכך טול מן היפה שבשולחנך לתת לקונך: אל תקלל חרש ויראת מאלהיך:

בני! דע כי בטחון הצדיקים הוא הטוב הגנוז מבחר תבל ארצו. והוא מקום גנוז וסתור ואין כל בריה יכולה לעמוד באותו מקום זולתי הרוחות הקדושות הטהורות המזומנות ליכנס לאותו מקום. והמקום ההוא מטע שעשועים של הקב"ה. ונברא קודם שנברא העולם. אינו מן העולם הזה:⁴²

⁴¹ Interesting, as showing how variants arise, is the reading of A which has וכשלבנה for these 3 words.

⁴² B ואינו בעולם הזה רק בעולם הבא



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BY JUDAH IBN TIBBON.

Born in Granada about 1120, Judah son of Saul Ibn Tibbon was forced to leave Spain in the middle of the twelfth century. The cause may be presumed to have been the same persecution by the Almohades which drove Maimonides from Cordova. Ibn Tibbon went to Provence and in 1160 Benjamin of Tudela found him practising as a physician at Lunel. His Testament is obviously the work of a medical man; equally it is the work of a cultured man of letters. Indeed he fills an important place in the history of Hebrew literature, for, to use his son Samuel's justly eulogistic phrase, Judah Ibn Tibbon was the "father of translators". He was the translator of works by Bahya, Jehuda Halevi, Ibn Gabirol, and Ibn Janah. It is very doubtful whether he translated also the *Choice of Pearls*. He quotes the work in the Testament, but scarcely in terms implying that he had himself rendered the maxims. He refers to two of his own works otherwise unknown. On his activity as translator see Steinschneider, *Heb. Ueber.* 4, 215; *J. E.* vi, 544.

In Lunel, Judah Ibn Tibbon enjoyed the friendship of a scholarly circle (cf. *J. E.* loc. cit.). He was an ardent collector of books, and it is no doubt his library that is referred to by his son in the latter's preface to the Hebrew translation of Maimonides' *Guide for the Perplexed*. The

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יהודה בן שאול אבן תבון נולד בעיר גראנאדא בערך שנת תת"ף לאלף החמישי, וכבן שלשים הוכרח לעזוב את ספרד. אפשר לשער שסבת גלותו מארץ מולדתו היתה רדיפת היהודים ע"י האלמוהדים אשר לרגלה נגרש גם הרמב"ם מקורדובה. אבן תבון הלך למדינת פרובינצא, ובשנת תתק"ך מצא אותו בנימין מטודילא מתפרנס בתור רופא בלוניל. נקל לראות שצואתו היא מעשה ידי רופא וגם סופר משכיל. אין כל ספק שאבן תבון ממלא מקום חשוב בתולדות הספרות העברית, ובצדק אומר עליו בנו שמואל שהיה „אבי המעתיקים“. הוא העתיק מערבית לעברית את ספריהם של בחיי, יהודה הלוי, אבן גבירול ואבן גנאח. ספק גדול הוא אם העתיק גם את „מבחר הפנינים“. הוא מביא בצואתו איזה פתגמים ומבטאים מן הספר הזה, אבל לא בסגנון שאפשר היה להסיק ממנו שהוא בעצמו העתיק אותם. בצואתו הוא מזכיר ג"כ שנים מחבוריו שאינם נודעים משום מקור אחר. בנוגע למלאכת ההעתקה שלו עיין בספרו של שטיינשניידר, העברעאישע איבערזעטצונגען, דף ד' ורט"ו; האנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך ששי, דף תקמ"ד.

בלוניל התרועע יהודה אבן תבון לחברת אנשים חכמים ומלומדים (עיין באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, במקום הנזכר לעיל). הוא אהב לאסוף ספרים הרבה, ואין כל ספק שבהקדמתו אל ההעתקה העברית של „מורה נבוכים“ להרמב"ם

J. E. states that Samuel was born c. 1150 and that the Testament was written in or after 1190. It seems difficult to reconcile some of the expressions in the Testament with a forty-year old recipient; on the other hand, some parts clearly require us to think of Samuel as no longer young. The puzzle is solved when we remember that parents often began such Testaments when their child was young, and completed them many years later, just as nowadays codicils are added to wills. The Testament of Judah Ibn Tibbon bears many marks of having been more than once supplemented and revised. As rendered below, the last lines of the metrical epilogue seem to confirm this. "Thrice these counsels have I written out." It must, however, be confessed that the word rendered "thrice" is employed by Judah in another poem of his to mean "excellent things" (see the lines printed by L. Dukes in *Path of Good Men*, p. xi).

The author's laments as to his sufferings refer to his earlier years. In Lunel he appears to have prospered well. But he was clearly a sensitive soul, and he was distressed when his daughters, on their marriage, left him for other cities. His tone of querulous affection for his son is also very human. He obviously believed in his son's abilities, and resolved to cultivate them to the utmost. His resolve bore fruit, for Samuel attained to fame, yet the father certainly diagnosed his son's disposition with accuracy, for Samuel was of a restless nature and does not appear to have settled for long in any one place after his father's death. Judah's advice as to the study of Arabic was taken to heart by Samuel, who was complimented on his Arabic proficiency by Maimonides. Judah's insistent declaration that the "style is the man" applied to handwriting as well as to the substance of what was written. So, later on, Joseph Ezobi in his Silver Bowl told his son:

בנו שמואל מרמו לאוצר הספרים שלו. לפי האנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית נולד שמואל בערך תתק"י והצואה נכתבה בשנת תתק"ן או אח"כ. קשה להלום איזה מן המבטאים של הצואה לזרע בן ארבעים; ולהפך, מבטאים אחרים מכריחים אותנו להניח ששמואל כבר לא היה צעיר. ההידה הזאת נפתרת כשזוכרים אנחנו שלפעמים קרובות התחילו האבות לכתוב צואות בשעה שבנם היה עוד צעיר ועול ימים ולא השלימון כי אם שנים רבות אח"כ, כמו שבימינו החדשים סמפונים נוספים אל צואות מזמן לזמן. ובאמת צואת יהודה אבן תבון נושאת תוים רבים המעידים על מלואים והגהות שנצטרפו אליה לעתים תכופות. כפי שנעתקה להלן, החרוזים האחרונים בסופה כמו מחזקים את ההשערה הזאת: "ושלישים כתבתים לך". אבל נחוץ להודות שהמלה הנעתקת, שלש פעמים "משמשת בשיר אחר של יהודה במובן, דברים נעלים" (ראה את הטורים שהדפיס יהודה ליב דוקעס בספר, "אורחות צדיקים", דף XI).

תרעומות המחבר על עינויו ויסוריו מוסבות על חיו הקדומים בספרד. בלונל, כנראה, זרחה עליו שמש ההצלחה. אכן ברור הוא שהיה בעל מזג רך ונפש מתרגשת, ויצטער הרבה כשבנותיו נשאו לאנשים ויעזבוהו ללכת לערים אחרות. דבריו המוכיחים והמלטפים לבנו הם ג"כ כדרך הבריות. אין כל ספק שהאמין בכשרונות בנו ויחליט לפתחם ולשכללם בכל האפשר. עמלו זה נשא פרי ישוה לו, כי שמע שמואל יצא לשם ולתהלה; ובכ"ז הכיר האב היטב את תכונת בנו הסוערת שאינה יודעת מרגוע, כי כידוע נשאר שמואל נע ונר תמיד וכנראה לא התישב לעולם לזמן ארוך במקום קבוע אחרי מות אביו. שמואל שם לבו לעצת אביו בנוגע ללמוד שפת ערב, כי הרמב"ם הלל אותו על ידיעתו הרבה בשפה זו. המימרא השגורה של יהודה ש, הסגנון הוא האיש" מוסבה גם על הכתב גם על התוכן של הכתב. דומה לה מה שאמר יוסף אזובי לבניו ב, קערת הכסף" שלו:

For in his penmanship man stands revealed,
Purest intent by chastest style is sealed.

Judah Ibn Tibbon's hero was Samuel the Nagid, who in Judah's youth attained to high place in Granada because of his skill as a writer of Arabic. The Nagid was indeed worthy of Judah's homage. For as statesman, scholar and philanthropist the Nagid stands out for the beauty of his character no less than for the splendor of his attainments. As to Judah Ibn Tibbon's own character, his fidelity to his friends and his generosity as to lending his books are notable, as is his desire that his son should emulate his example. His beautiful comparison of his library to a garden is worthy of Ruskin; he anticipates the charm of the sylvan vignettes on the Bewick *ex libris* of a much later date—*inter folia fructus*, or again *In tali nunquam lassat venatio sylva*.

The text of the Testament depends on a single MS. in the Bodleian Library (Cat. Neubauer, No. 2219, 3). It was printed from this MS. twice in one year, 1852, in Berlin and in London. The present edition has been derived directly from the MS. and several misreadings and misprints in the former editions have been corrected. The many quotations from Samuel the Nagid's poems have been checked with the readings in Harkavy's edition of the Nagid's verses, and Harkavy's text has often been preferred. It has not been possible to collate these quotations with the MS. in the possession of Mr. David Sassoon. (In the Notes S refers to Steinschneider's Berlin edition, O to the Oxford MS.). To the English edition of 1852 (*The Paths of Good Men*, ed. H. Edelman) a translation was added by M. H. Bresslau. This has been of much service, but has not been bodily adopted. The original

בספרו האנוש נכר וכתב
לשכל שולחו עדות ברורה.

נבורו של יהודה אבן תבון היה שמואל הנגיד אשר בימי בחרותו של יהודה התמחה בגראנאדא לסופר בקי ומהיר בשפת ערב. באמת היה שמואל הנגיד ראוי והגון לתהלתו של יהודה אבן תבון, כי בתור איש מדינה, תלמיד חכם ובעל צדקה היה עולה ובולט משום מזגו היפה באותה מדה שהיה נבדל ונפרד בכשרונותיו המצוינים. בנוגע לאפיו של יהודה אבן תבון, הנה יש להרים על נס את מסירת נפשו לרעיו ונדבת רוחו בהלואת ספריו, כמו שיש להלל את חפצו שבנו ילך בעקבותיו. הדמיון היפה שהוא מרמה את אוצר הספרים שלו לנן הוא ראוי והגון לאיש כרוסקין; והוא טועם מראש את קסם העולם הצומח הנמצא בציורי עקס-ליברים של בעוויק בתקופה יותר מאוחרת—*inter folia fructus* או *in tali nunquam lassat venatio sylva*.

נוסח הצואה תלוי בכתב-יד יחיד ומיוחד הנמצא בבית עקר הספרים הבודליאני (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 3, 2219) ונרפס מן הכ"י הזה פעמים בשנה אחת, שנת תרי"ב, בברלין ובלונדון. המהדורה הנוכחית נוסדה על הכ"י, ועל ידו תקנתי איזה שגיאות קריאה ודפוס של ההוצאות הראשונות. השויתי גם את החרחים הרבים שהוא מביא משירי שמואל הנגיד לנוסח המזוקק של שירי הנגיד בהוצאת הרכבי, ולפעמים קרובות בכרתי את האחרון על הראשון. לדאבוני אי אפשר היה לי להשוות את החרוזים האלה לכ"י הנמצא תחת ידו של דוד ששון. בהערותי קראתי S למהדורת ברלין של שטיינשניידר, O לכ"י אוקספורד. למהדורת לונדון של תרי"ב (אורחות צדיקים, הוצאת צבי הירש עדעלמאן) נוספה העתקה אנגלית ע"י מרדכי ברעסלוי, והעתקה זו היתה לי לעזר גדול, אבל לא

text is sometimes in rhyme, and both Prologue and Epilogue are in rhymed verse. These have been turned into rhythmical prose.

The generosity of the author with regard to the loan of his books is paralleled by the Testament of R. Eleazar bar Perahyah (apparently of the fourteenth century). This is to be seen in the Oxford MS. of Maimonides' *Code* (Cat. Neub. No. 577, cf. Edelman, *Treasures of Oxford*, 1851, p. xxi). This testator died young, and bequeathed the whole of this MS., which bears Maimonides' autographic declaration that the copy is accurate, to the Beth-Din. It was not to be sold or otherwise disposed of, nor was it to be used for study. But it was to remain for ever at the disposal of students for the correction of their copies. As a rather grim comment on the bequest, Edelman tells us that Prof. Huntingdon had no difficulty in acquiring the Codex at Cairo "at a comparatively cheap price."

In the Name of God,¹ whose Memorial be exalted and praised for ever!

[This Admonition was composed by the great philosopher, Rabbi Judah son of Saul Ibn Tibbon, for his son, the distinguished scholar Samuel, in his youth; be their memory for a blessing!]

Take a Father's Admonition, from a heart disturbed

At parting from thee, like a sea in storm;

¹ Heb. in the name of the Name.

הבאתיה כמות שהיא. יש אשר הגוסס העברי הוא בחרוים, כמו הראש והסוף. חרחים כאלה העתקתי לפרחה שקולה אף כי לא חרחה.

נרבת רוחו של המחבר ביחס להלואת ספריו מוצאת את משלה בצואת רבי אלעזר בר פרחיה (כמדומה במאה הארבע עשרה). זאת אפשר לראות בכ"י אוקספורד של ה"ד החזקה להרמב"ם (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 577, ראה עדעלמאן, גנוי אוקספורד, תר"א, דף XXI). בעל הצואה הזאת מת בדמי ימיו וינחיל לבית דין את הכ"י כלו, הגושא מודעה מהרמב"ם בכתיבת יד עצמו ששטר הצואה הוא נכון ומדויק. הוא אסר למכור אותו או למסור אותו לאחרים באיזה אופן שיהיה, וגם התנגד לשמשו בלמוד; אבל התלמידים הורשו להשתמש בו בכדי לתקן את השגיאות הנמצאות בהעתקיהם. בתור באור מר על עזבון המנוח מודיענו עדעלמאן שעלה ביד הפרופיסור הונטינגדון לקנות את הכ"י היקר הזה בקהירה, במחיר נמוך בערך.

בשם השם יתעלה וישתבח זכרו לנצח. זה מוסר
חבר אותו החכם הגדול ר' יהודה בר' שאול בן
תבון זצ"ל לבנו החכם הכולל שמואל בבחרותו
זכרונם לברכה:

קח מוסר אב מלב נכאב
לפרידתך כים הומה.²

¹ The MS. always has השם with a horizontal line over the last two letters.

² The division of the lines into two halves follows the MS. The H. edition disregards it.

With boundless grief without all intermission,
His eye is poured out and ceaseth never!²
God has tried him by migration of his children
As none among fathers has been tried before!³
Against him, too, Destiny has conspired,
Beguiling him with its enticements;
It cast him into depths of loneliness,
And threw him into a sea of sorrows!
With exile and yearning it afflicted him,
And in their robes was he disguised;⁴
Yea, Time came with storm and raging,
To stir and overwhelm his heart!⁵
On his platter it put wormwood,
And poison it mixed in his cup;⁶
Strained were his eyes with weeping; well-
Nigh was he sightless as the blind;
Had his tears dropped down on a desert,
They had made reeds and rushes flourish!
So he ate the bread of misery, and drank
Athirst, tears in flowing measure;⁷

² Lam. 3.49.

³ For the personal history of the author, see above p. 51f.

⁴ E. renders: "It afflicted him with wandering and shame. And by their pains he was struck dumb."

⁵ Job 39.24.

⁶ Ps. 69.22.

⁷ Ps. 80.6.

וברוב תוגה מאין פוגה
 עינו נגרה לא תדמה.
 נסהו אל בנרוד בנים
 עד אין לו באבות דומה.
 זמן הסית את לבו בו
 ויפתה אותו וירמה.
 השליכו במצולות פירוד
 ובים תוגות אותו ירמה.
 בנרוד ובכוסף יענהו
 ובמדויהם יהיה נדמה.
 וברעש ורוגז יבוא
 לרגז את לבו ויגמא.
 ובברותו לענה ישים
 לצמאו רוש אותו יגמא.
 כלו עיניו בדמעיו כמ³
 עט⁴ לא יראה אור כסומא.
 לו ירדו על ארץ ציה
 הצמיחו קנה וגומא.
 יאכל לחם דמעה ישתה
 בדמעות שליש בצמא⁴

³ The MS. divides כמעט ⁴ H. בצמא.

His soul abhorred all viands,⁸
 In his eyes his meat was unclean!
 My God, O wherefore hath befallen me
 So grievous an ill, or for what sin?
 Till when must I live on enduring
 This separation, O Lord, how long?⁹

My son, list to my precepts, neglect none of my injunctions. Set my Admonition before thine eyes, thus shalt thou prosper and prolong thy days in pleasantness!

Thou knowest, my son, that the Creator did not specify a recompense for any of the Ten Commandments except for honoring parents. Length of days and happiness were the appointed meed of obedience. For the Pentateuch says:¹⁰ "Honour thy father and thy mother. . . . that thy days may be long, and that it may go well with thee;" and in the Prophecies, God asks of Israel: "If then I be a father, where is My honour?"¹¹ I need not recall to thee the recompense of the children of Jonadab, son of Rechab, who kept their father's ordinance; and how the Creator used their example for reproof of Israel, and granted to the Rechabites the appointed requital of happiness and longevity, as thou wilt find in the section referring to that subject.¹²

⁸ Ps. 107.18.

⁹ Several phrases in these verses are reminiscent of Samuel ha-Nagid, whom our author cites so often. Cf. e. g. No. iv in Harkavy's edition of ha-Nagid's poems.

¹⁰ Deut. 5.16.

¹¹ Mal. 1.6.

¹² Jer. 35.

ותתעב כל אוכל נפשו
 ובעיניו כל לחמו טמא.
 אלי אלי במה היתה
 לי זאת הרעה או על מה?
 או עד מתי אשא עלי
 פירודי הזה או עד כמה?

בני! למצותי הקשיבה. ואל תפל דבר מכל
 הדברים אשר אצוך. ושים מוסרי נגד עיניך ונוכח
 פניך. כי אז תצליח את דרכיך ואז תשכיל. והארכת
 ימים בטוב ובנעימים!

בני! כבר ידעת כי הבורא לא פירש גמול על
 אחת מעשרת הדברים כי אם על כבוד אבות.
 שייעד עליהם באורך חיים וימים טובים. כמו שאמר
 למען יאריכון ימיך ולמען ייטב לך. ואמר
 בתוכחות, אם אב אני איה כבודי? וכבר ידעת מה
 היה גמול בני יונדב בן רכב ששמרו מצות אביהם.
 והוכיח הבורא בהם את ישראל וייעד אותם במה
 שייעד מהגמול הטוב ואריכות ימים. כאשר תמצא
 בפרשת הענין ההוא:

Thou knowest, my son, how I swaddled thee and brought thee up, how I led thee in the paths of wisdom and virtue. I fed and clothed thee; I spent myself in educating and protecting thee. I sacrificed my sleep to make thee wise beyond thy fellows, and to raise thee to the highest degree of science and morals. These twelve years I have denied myself the usual pleasures and relaxations of men for thy sake, and I still toil for thine inheritance.

I have honored thee by providing an extensive library for thy use, and have thus relieved thee of the necessity to borrow books. Most students must bustle about to seek books, often without finding them. But thou, thanks be to God, lendest and borrowest not. Of many books, indeed, thou ownest two or three copies. I have besides made¹³ for thee books on all sciences, hoping that thy hand might "find them all as a nest."¹⁴ Seeing that thy Creator had graced thee with a wise and understanding heart, I journeyed to the ends of the earth, and fetched for thee a teacher in secular sciences. I minded neither the expense nor the danger of the ways. Untold evil might have befallen me and thee on those travels, had not the Lord been with us!

But thou, my son! didst deceive my hopes. Thou didst not choose to employ thine abilities, hiding thyself from all thy books, not caring to

¹³ Apparently referring to compendia made for the son's use by the father.

¹⁴ Isa. 10.14.

ואתה ידעת בני! כי טפחתיך וריביתך. וגדלתיך
ורוממתיך. ובדרך חכמה הוריתיך. במעגלי יושר
הדרכתך. ובמאכל ובמשתה ובמלבוש כבדתיך.
וטרחתי בלימודך מכל פחד שמרתיך. ונודדתי
שנתי לחכמך מכל חביריך. ולהעלותך אל המעלות
הרמות בחכמה ובמוסר. מנעתי עצמי מכל טובה
ותענוגות בני אדם בעבורך זה שנים עשרה שנה.
ועוד יגעתי להנחילך:

כבדתיך בהרבות לך ספרים. ולא הצרכתיך
לשאול ספר מאדם כאשר אתה רואה רוב
התלמידים ישוטטו לבקש ספר ולא ימצאו. ואתה
שבח לאל! משאיל ואינך שואל. וברוב הספרים
יש לך שניים ושלישים. ויותר עשיתי לך ספרים
מכל החכמות. הייתי מקוה שתמצא ירך כקן
לכולם. כיון שחננך צורך לב חכם ונבון. טרחתי
לקצות ארץ והבאתי לך מלמד חכמות חיצונות.
ולא חסתי על הוצאה ועל סכנת דרכים. וכמעט
הייתי בכל רע אני ואתה בהליכה ההיא, לולי
השם שהיה לנו:

ואתה בני! הכזבת את תוחלתי ואת תקותי. ולא
חפצת להשתמש בבינתך. והתעלמת מכל ספריך.

know them or even their titles. Hadst thou seen thine own books in the hand of others, thou wouldst not have recognized them; hadst thou needed one of them, thou wouldst not have known whether it was with thee or not, without asking me; thou didst not even consult the Catalogue of thy library. *Ben Mishle*¹⁵ says:

He who has toiled and bought for himself books,
But his heart is empty of what they contain—
Is like a lame man, who engraved on a wall
The figure of a foot, and tried in vain to
stand!

All this thou hast done. Thus far thou hast relied on me to rouse thee from the sleep of indolence, thinking that I would live with thee for ever! Thou didst not bear in mind that death must divide us, and that there are daily vicissitudes in life. But who will be as tender to thee as I have been, who will take my place—to teach thee out of love and good-will? Even if thou couldst find such a one, lo! thou seest how the greatest scholars, coming from the corners of the earth, seek to profit by my society and instruction, how eager they are to see me and my books. But thou, though all this was thine without silver and price, thou wert unwilling; and the Lord hath not given thee a heart to know, eyes to see, or ears to hearken unto this day. May thy God en-

¹⁵ On the author's frequent quotations from the poems of Samuel ha-Nagid see above, p. 53. *Ben* (Son of) *Mishle* is a series of metrical aphorisms based on the Biblical *Mishle* or Proverbs. For editions see above p. 53.

אפילו לא היית רוצה לראות מה הם ומה שמותם.
 כי אם היית רואה אותם ביד אחרים לא היית
 מכירם. ואם היית צריך לאחד מהם, לא היית יודע
 אם ישנו אתך⁵ אם אין, עד שהיית שואל אותי.⁶
 ואפילו המזכרת של ספריך לא היית מעיין אותה.
 ובן משלי אמר,

אשר יגע וקנה לו ספרים

ולבו מאשר במ ריק וריקם.

כפסח אשר חקק עלי⁷ קיר

דמות⁸ רגל. ובא לקום ולא קם:

כל זה עשית, עד עתה היית סומך עלי להעיר
 אותך משנת העצלה. ודמית שאחיה לך לעולם.
 ולא נתת אל לבך ועינך. כי המות יפריד ביני ובינך.
 או ילדי יום מחיים: כי מי יחמול עליך בני כחמלתי?
 ומי יעמוד לך במקומי ללמד מאהבה ומחפץ?
 אפילו אם היית מוצא, הנה אתה רואה החכמים
 הגדולים שהם מבקשים ומשתדלים מכנף הארץ
 להועיל בחברתי ובישיבתי. ונכספים לראותי
 ולראות ספרי. ואתה כאשר מצאת בלא כסף ובלא
 מחיר לא רצית. ולא נתן לך השם לב לדעת ועינים
 לראות ואזנים לשמוע עד היום הזה. אלהיך יתן

מאת O⁹ אלי H.⁸ אותו E reads.⁷ אותך MS.⁶

dow thee with a new heart and spirit, and instil into thee a desire to retrieve the past, and to follow the true path henceforward!

Seven years and more have passed since thou didst begin to learn Arabic writing but, despite my entreaties, thou hast refused to obey. Yet thou art well aware how our foremost men only attained to high distinction through their proficiency in Arabic writing.¹⁶ Thou hast already seen what the Nagid (of blessed memory) has recorded as to his rise to power being solely due to this cause, when he sang: "O Pen, I tell of thy kindness!"¹⁷ Similarly with his son. In this country, too, as well as in the kingdom of Ishmael¹⁸ the Nasi, R. Shesheth, acquired wealth and honor through his Arabic. By means of it, he paid his debts, met all his expenditure, and made splendid gifts.

Nor hast thou acquired sufficient skill in Hebrew writing, though I paid, as thou must remember, thirty golden pieces annually to thy master, the clever R. Jacob son of the generous R. Obadiah. And when I persuaded him to teach thee to write the letters, he answered: "It will be enough for him to learn one letter a year." If

¹⁶ For Samuel ha-Nagid's debt to his Arabic calligraphy see Graetz, *History*, E. T., iii, 255. The "Song of the Pen" is no longer extant. The Nagid's son Joseph collected his father's poems (Cf. Harkavy, Introduction, p. ix).

¹⁷ E. "I am weary of relating thy mercy."

¹⁸ Spain or Morocco; Shesheth was a noted physician in Barcelona. Cf. Dukes' note in Edelman's *Path of Good Men*, p. 57.

לך לב חרש ורוח חרשה וחפץ שתשיג בו מה שחלף.
ותשיב כל מה שאבד. וישכילך ויורך בדרך זו
תלך!

גם כתיבת הערבי שהחלות ללמוד אותו היום
שבע שנים ועוד הייתי מפיס אותך עליה. ולא
רצית לעולם שמוע אלי: ואתה יודע כי הגדולים
שבעמינו לא הגיעו אל הגדולה והמעלות הרמות
כי אם בכתיבת הערבי: כבר ראית¹⁰ מה שספר
הנגיד ז"ל מן הגדולה שהגיע אליה בעבודה באמרו,
עט אני חסדך מספר וכו'. ומה שהגיע בנו אחריו גם
כן מן הגדולה בה. גם בארץ הזאת אתה רואה כי
הנשיא ר' ששת ז"ל הגיע בה אל העושר והכבוד
גם במלכות ישמעאל. ובה יצא מכל חובותיו, ועשה
כל הוצאותיו הגדולות ונדבותיו:

גם על כתב העברי לא השגחת כראוי. הלא
תזכור שהייתי נותן למשכיל ר' יעקב בן הנדיב ר'
עובדיה רבך שלשים דינר זהב בכל שנה. וכאשר
פייסתי אותו ללמדך כתיבת האותיות אמר אלי,
והלא יספיק לו אם ילמוד אות אחת לשנה. ואם

¹⁰ ראיתי MS.

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thou hadst paid attention to this remark of his, thou wouldst have striven to become a better scribe than he or his sons. Hast thou not seen R. Shesheth's son, a boy of twelve, whose writing so resembles that of his teacher, R. Patur, that the scripts are indistinguishable? Handwriting is but an art¹⁹, and with attention, intelligence, and practice, anyone can imitate his model. "If anyone asserts, 'I have labored but did not find,' believe him not."²⁰ Now, if the reputation—for the most part false—which thou hadst acquired far and wide embarrassed thee, thou wouldst have exerted thyself to prove the report an underrating rather than an exaggeration, from fear of exposure, should people actually come to thy place. As *Ben Mishle* says:

When men commend thee with their lips,
Unto their words apply thine heart;
And if they laud for parts not thine,
Strive hard to justify their praise!

High qualities have been ascribed to thee by R. Shesheth, and what wilt thou do in the day of visitation? Woe for that indignity, alas for that disgrace! May God lead thee into wiser ways, and teach thee for thy profit²¹; may He make this separation the cause of thine amendment and awakening. O that thy lethargy prove but a passing slumber! As *Ben Mishle* says:

¹⁹ Lit. "form".

²⁰ T. B. Megillah 5b.

²¹ Isa. 48.17.

היה לך לב בעבור הדבר הזה שיצא מפיו, היית
 משתדל שתהיה סופר יותר ממנו ובניו: והלא ראית
 בנו של ר' ששת והוא בן י"ב שנים כתיבתו דומה
 לכתיבת רבו ר' פטור. וכאלו היא היא בעצמה.
 כי הכתיבה היא צורה מן הצורות ובעיון ובהתבוננות
 יוכל אדם לחקותה ובהרגל. ויגעתי ולא מצאתי
 אל תאמן. וכן אם היית בוש בעצמך בעבור השם
 אשר יצא לך למרחוק ורובו שקר. היית משתדל
 להוסיף על השמועה. והיית ירא מהבושת והכלמה
 כשיגיעו למקומך. בן משלי¹¹,

בעת יענו עמך שבחך

בפיהם, תנה לבך למלתם.¹²

ואם יהללוך באשר אין בך,

שקוד עד תהי¹³ צדק תהלתם.¹⁴

ואתה רואה המעלות הרמות אשר הנשיא קורא
 לך בהם. ומה תעשה ליום פקודה? אוי לאותה
 בושה אוי לאותה כלמה! אלהיך יישרך להשכיל.
 וילמדך להועיל. וישם הנדוד הזה סבה לטובתך.
 ולהקיץ מתנומתך. ולא תהיה תנומה כי אם
 תרדמה! ב'. מ'.

¹¹ The MS. mostly omits ואמר, and merely introduces the quotation with בן משלי or the abbreviation ב'מ'.

¹² O למלותם. ¹³ O שתהא. ¹⁴ O תהלותם.

Woe to the man who stands awake,
 Yet seeth not his path;
 Happier he who lies asleep,
 And eyes within his heart!

Thou art still young, and improvement is possible, if Heaven but grant thee the helping gift of desire and resolution, for ability is of no avail without inclination. So King David said²²: "His *delight* is in the law of the Lord." Thou knowest, too, what the Nagid has written (in *Ben Mishle*):

A brother of knowledge, if indeed he possess a heart,
 For his heart's sake his heart will strive with him!

And in another place:

A green tree while still moist thou canst straighten²³,

But thou canst not straighten a dry log.

If the Lord please to bring me back to thee, I will take upon me all thy wants. For whom indeed do I toil but for thee and thy children? May the Lord let me see their faces again in joy!

Therefore, my son! Stay not thy hand when I have left thee, but devote thyself to the study of the Torah and to the science of medicine. But chiefly occupy thyself with the Torah, for thou hast a wise and understanding heart,²⁴ and all that is needful on thy part is ambition and

²² Ps. 1.2.

²³ E. "prune".

²⁴ Rather touching is the father's wavering between pride in his son's ability (afterwards justified by his son's literary fame), and discontent with the same son's indolence.

אבוי לאיש אשר נעור
ולא ראה נתיבתו!
ואשרי איש אשר יישן
ועינים בלבתו!¹⁵

כי עדיין נער אתה. ואיפשר שתתיישר אם יעזורך
מן השמים לתת לך חפץ ורצון. כי תבונה בלי חפץ
אינה מועילה: ודוד ע"ה אמר, כי אם בתורת ה'¹⁶
חפצו. וכבר ראית מה שאמר הנגיד ז"ל, ב'. מ'.
אחי מדע אשר לבב יהי בו
לבבו בעבור לבו יריבו:
ואמר עוד,

ועץ רטוב בעודו לח תיישר.
ולא תיישר לך קורה יבשה:

ואם שוב ישיבני אליך השם אעמס כל מחסורך
עלי. כי למי אני עמל כי אם לך ולבניך?¹⁷ אלהי
יראני פניהם בשמחה!

על כן בני! אל תרף ירך אחרי מעסוק בתלמוד
תורתך ובחכמת הרפואות. והוי מעט עסק ועסוק
בתורה. כי יש לך לב חכם ונבון אם תחפוץ לקבוע

¹⁵ Kaempf reads ועינו היא. H. renders as though the text read בלכתו ועיניו.

¹⁶ The MS. (here and elsewhere) has יי with a horizontal line over the three letters.

¹⁷ MS. reads ולבנך.

application. I know that thou wilt repent of the past, as many have repented before thee of their youthful indolence. As the Nagid (*Ben Mishle*) says:

Learning's robe the good disciple decks,
And youthful study sweet increase bestows;
But he who in his age would wisdom gain
Dies ere he wisdom's savor tastes:²⁵

Therefore, my son! Exert thyself whilst still young, the more so as thou even now complainest of weak memory. What, then, wilt thou do in old age, the mother of forgetfulness? Awake, my son! from thy sleep; devote thyself to science and religion; habituate thyself to moral living, for "habit is master over all things."²⁶ As the Arabian philosopher²⁷ holds, there are two sciences, ethics and physics; strive to excel in both! The Sage of blessed memory said: "The wise shall inherit honour,"²⁸ while as for wisdom, "length of days is in her right hand, in her left riches and honour."²⁹ And further: "Better is a poor and wise child than an old and foolish king."³⁰ But I need not dwell longer on this subject, nor quote more on the same point from Proverbs and the Son of Proverbs.³¹

²⁵ E: "Will depart life without wisdom and understanding."

²⁶ Cf. *Choice of Pearls*.

²⁷ Al-Ghazali.

²⁸ Prov. 3.35.

²⁹ Ibid. 3.16.

³⁰ Eccles. 14.13.

³¹ Ha-Nagid's *Ben Mishle*.

וללמוד. ויודע אני שתתחרט על מה שעבר כאשר
התחרטו רבים לפניך על התעצלים בימי הנערות
והבחרות. והנגיד ז"ל אמר, ב'. מ'.

סדין חכמה לתלמיד טוב ילובש.
ותלמוד¹⁸ נערות חוסן ונועם.
ומי ילמד בזקנה לא בנוער,
יאוסף מבלי חכמה וטעם:

על כן בני! השתדל בעוד ימי הבחרות והנערות.
כל יכן אתה מתרעם עתה מן השכחה. ומה תעשה
לימי הזקנה שהיא אם השכחה? הקיצה בני!
משנתך. והתעסק בחכמה ובמוסר. והרגל עצמך
במדות טובות. וההרגל על כל דבר שלטון. ואמר
החכם הערבי, החכמות שתיים. חכמת התורות
וחכמת הגופות. השתדל בני! שתהיה נכבד מחביריך
בכבוד החכמה. והחכם ע"ה אמר, כבוד חכמים
ינחלו. ואמר עוד, אורך ימים בימינה. ואמר, טוב
ילד מסכן וחכם ממלך זקן וכסיל. ואינני¹⁹ צריך
להאריך בענין הזה. ומה שנוכר בו במשלי ובבן
משלי:

18 ובתלמוד O. ואינני MS. 19

Well art thou aware, my son! that the companionship of the ungodly is noxious, that their example cleaves like the plague. O "enter not into the path of the wicked!"³² Loiter not in the streets, sit not in the highway, go not with him whose society is discreditable. As the Sage says:³³ "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise," and *Ben Mishle* writes:

Choose upright men for friends, with them
Take counsel, but the fool despise!
With the wise thou canst a rock o'erturn,³⁴
And safety find 'gainst giants' rage!

My son! Make thy books thy companions, let thy cases and shelves be thy pleasure-grounds and gardens. Bask in their paradise, gather their fruit, pluck their roses, take their spices and their myrrh. If thy soul be satiate and weary, change from garden to garden, from furrow to furrow, from prospect to prospect. Then will thy desire renew itself, and thy soul be filled with delight! For, remember the lines of the poet:³⁵

How shall I fear man, when a soul is mine
Whose whelps can dismay lions?
Why fret about poverty, when in her³⁶ is wisdom

³² Prov. 4.14.

³³ Ibid. 13.20.

³⁴ Cf. T. B. San. 24a.

³⁵ See note on Hebrew text.

³⁶ Her, i. e. the soul.

בני! כבר ידעת כי חברת הרעים מזיקה.
וכצרעת דבקה. והחכם ע"ה אמר, בארח רשעים
אל תבא. בני! אל תעמוד ברחובות. ואל תשב
במסלות. ואל תלך עם מי שלא תתכבר בחברתו.
והחכם ע"ה אמר, הולך את חכמים יחכם. ב'. מ'.

בחר את בעלי שכל²⁰ לחברה

ומועצה. וקוצה בכסילים!

במשכיל תעקור סלע. ותבוא

במו צרה. ותשך²¹ אף נפילים!²²

בני! שים ספריך חביריך. וארגויך ותיבותיך
פרדסיך וגנותיך. רעה בגנותיהם ולקוט שושניהם.
וארה מפריהם בשמיהם ומוריהם. ואם תקוץ נפשך
ותלאה העתק מגן אל גן. ומערוגה אל ערוגה.
וממראה אל מראה. כי אז יתחדש חפצך ותנאה
נפשך!

וזכור מה שאמר המשורר בשירו,²³

איך אפחדה מאיש ולי נפש,

חתו אריות מכפיריה?

איך אדאגה מריש²⁴ ובה חכמה²⁵

²⁰ O צדק. ²¹ H. חשך. ²² O כסילים.

²³ MS. has בן משלי. But the poet is Judah ha-Levi.
See Dukes, *Treasures of Oxford*. p. 60.

²⁴ O מאיש. Margin מריש. ²⁵ D. ובחכמה.

From whose hills I may hew jewels?
If I hunger, lo! her dainty fruits;
If I thirst, I find ³⁷ her streams!
Sit I desolate, when her harp
Charms me with her melodies?
Why seek a friend to hold converse,
And lose her cunning accents?
My harp, my lyre, are at her pen's³⁸ point,
Her scrolls are my garden and paradise!

So *Ben Mishle* says:

The wise of heart forsakes the ease of pleasure,
In reading books he finds tranquillity;
All men have faults, thine eyes can see them,
The wise-heart's failing is—forgetfulness!

Consult a man of sense and well-beloved,
Put not thy trust in thine own device;
For if thou turnest to thy heart's desire,
Desire will hide from thee the right;
Is it a yearned-for end? Thy heart
Doth make thy lust seem fair before thee!

³⁷ Note the clever play on words in the Hebrew.

³⁸ Perhaps render: "style", the instrument with which the harp is struck. Or cf. Ps. 45.2.

אחצוב פנינים מהרריה?
 אם ארעבה הנה מגדיה.
 או אצמאה אמצא²⁶ נהריה!
 איך אשבה שומם, וכנורה
 אותי ישעשע בשיריה?
 איך אדרשה²⁷ ריע ישיחני,²⁸
 עת²⁹ אשמעה חכמת דבריה?
 נבלי וכנורי בפי עטה,³⁰
 גני ופרדסי ספריה!
 ווכן אמר[ו] בן משלי,
 חכם לב יעזוב נוח עדנים,
 ובקרוא בספרים לו מנוחה.
 ומומים יש באישים אם תחפש.
 ומום חכמי לבבות השכחה:
 היה נועץ באיש שכל ואהוב,³¹
 ואל תבטח בנפשך אל עצתך.³²
 ואם תט אחרי אהבת לבבך,
 תכסה על נכונה אהבתך.
 למען כי לך אוה, ולבך
 ייפה נגדך את תאותך!

26 O הנה.

27 O אשאלה.

28 H ישיחני.

29 O בל.

30 D. עטי.

31 O ואוהב.

32 O אל Margin. לנפשך את.

In all thine acts, therefore, take counsel with him on whose affection and prudence thou canst rely. Desert not thy friend, thy father's friend. Lo! "Aaron and Hur" are with thee, the accomplished R. Aaron and R. Asher.³⁹

Contend not with men, and meddle not "with strife not thine own".⁴⁰ Enter into no dispute with the obstinate, not even on matters of Torah. On thy side, too, refrain from subterfuges in argument, to maintain thy case even when thou art convinced that thou art in the right. Submit to the majority and do not reject their decision. Risk not thy life by taking the road and leaving thy city, in times of disquiet and danger. Even where large sums are involved, travel only on the advice of men of mature judgment who are well disposed to thee; trust not the counsel of the young in preference to that of the old. Let not the prospect of great gain blind thee, to make light of thy life; be not as a bird that sees the grains but not the net.⁴¹ Remember what the Sage, of blessed memory, said: "A wise man feareth and departeth from evil, but the fool be-
haveth overbearingly and is confident".⁴²

My son! Take upon thee to write one leaf daily and to meditate for an hour, in the *Ben Mishle*.

³⁹ Sons of Meshullam of Lunel. Aaron was a spirited Maimonist partisan in the famous controversy. Cf. Graetz, *History*, E. T., iii, 524.

⁴⁰ Prov. 26.17.

⁴¹ Dukes compares a poem by Judah ha-Levi. Cf. Prov. 1.17.

⁴² Prov. 14.16.

בני! התייעץ עם מי שתבטח באהבתו וחכמתו.
ורעך ורע אביך אל תעזוב. והנה אהרן וחור עמך,
החכם ר' אהרן והחכם ר' אשר:

בני! אל תרב עם אדם. ואל תתעבר לריב לא
לך. ואל תחלק על העקשים אפילו בתלמוד תורה.
ואל תתעקש אתה להחזיק בדעתך אפילו אם תדע
שהאמת אתך. והורה לרבים ואל תחלק עליהם:
בני! אל תסכן בנפשך ללכת בדרכים בעתות
החרם³³ והסכנה. אפילו על ממון גדול. כי אם
בעניין שיורו לך רבים וחכמים אוהביך. ויכירו
כי הוא בטוח: ואל תסמוך על עצת הבחורים
להניח עצת הזקנים. ואל יעוורך רוב השכר להקל
בנפשך. ואל תהיה כעוף שרואה הגרגרים ואינו
רואה הרשת: וכבר ידעת מה שאמר החכם ע"ה,
חכם ירא וסר מרע וכסיל מתעבר ובוטח:

בני! קבל עליך לכתוב עלה אחת בכל יום
ולעיין שעה אחת בבן משלי. ולקרוא בכל שבת

³³ MS. החרום.

Read every week the Pentateuchal section in Arabic. This will improve thine Arabic vocabulary, and will be of advantage in translating, if thou shouldst feel inclined to translate.⁴³

Show honor to thyself, thy household, and thy children, by providing decent clothing, as far as thy means allow; for it is unbecoming for any one, when not at work, to go shabbily dressed. Spare from thy belly and put it on thy back!

Thou knowest, my son! the trouble and expense that I endured for the marriage of thy elder and younger sisters. Never in my life had I undergone such dangers, thrice crossing the sea at great cost though my means were scanty⁴⁴. I pledged my books, I borrowed from my friends, though I was never wont to do so, and all this not to reduce thy share. Also, at thine own marriage, thou art aware that I did not sell thee for silver, as others richer than I have done with their sons. None of thy companions made a more honorable union. I took for thee the daughter ⁴⁵ of a cultured and distinguished lineage, all of them the "seed of truth", learned and of high standing. The community showed its consideration by imposing on thee no tax or due. Thou wast honored

⁴³ On Samuel Ibn Tibbon's translations, see *J.E.*, vi, p. 549.

⁴⁴ This departure of his daughter on their marriage seems referred to in the metrical Prologue.

⁴⁵ She seems to have been a sister of the famous Jacob Anatoli. See *J.E.*, i, 562.

הסדר ערבי. כי יועיל לך במלות הספרים
 הערביים.³⁴ ובהעתקה אם תרצה להעתיק:
 בני! כפי יכלתך כבר את עצמך ואת ביתך ואת
 בניך במלבושים הגונים. כי אין ראוי לאדם
 ממלאכתו להיות מלבושיו פחותים. וחסר מבטנך
 ותן על גבך!

בני! כבר ראית מה שסבלתי מן היגיעה ומן
 הטורח וההוצאה בנשואי אחותך הגדולה. ומה
 שסבלתי בנשואי אחותך הקטנה. הכנסתי עצמי
 בסכנה שלא נכנסתי בה מימי. בעבור הים שלשה
 פעמים. וההוצאה הרבה מבלי יכולת. משכנתי
 ספרי. לויתי על פני. שמתי לאוהבי יד עלי במלוה.
 מה שלא נהגתי בזה. כל זה עשיתי בעבור שלא
 תפחות אתה בהם: גם בנשואיך אתה ידעת שלא
 מכרתוך בכסף כאשר עשו אחרים שהיו עשירים
 ממני בבניהם. ושאין בחברוך נכבד ממך בנשואיו.
 לקחתי לך³⁵ בת גדולי הארץ בחכמה וביחס. כלו
 זרע אמת קרובים חכמים ואצילים ונשאים: היית
 מכובד בחופתך מכל חבריך. והיית מכובד מהקהל
 שלא הטילו עליך מס ולא מעמס. היית נכבד מן

³⁴ H. incorrectly העבריים.

³⁵ MS. adds (redundantly) ומיחסים.

at thy wedding by princes and priests, men of the highest lay and clerical distinction, for my sake.

And now, my son! if the Creator has mightily displayed His love to thee and me, so that Jew and Gentile have thus far honored thee for my sake, endeavor henceforth to so add to thine honor that they may respect thee for thine own self. This thou canst effect by good morals and by courteous behavior; by steady devotion to thy studies and thy profession, as thou wast wont to do before thy marriage.⁴⁶

As *Ben Mishle* says:

In outside books⁴⁷ oft meditate, thou'lt find
What brings repute to its doer in the gates;
Will make thy voice respected 'mid the great,
Thy name extolled o'er thine associates.

Let thy countenance shine upon the sons of men; tend their sick, and may thine advice cure them. Though thou takest fees from the rich, heal the poor gratuitously; the Lord will requite thee. Thereby shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man. Thus wilt thou win the respect of high and low among Jews and non-Jews, and thy good name will go forth far and wide. Thou wilt rejoice thy

⁴⁶ Obviously, the father's previous complaints of his son's indolence must not be taken too literally. See above p. 52.

⁴⁷ i. e. secular, scientific; lit. outside the biblical canon (cf. *Mishnah*, *Sanh.* 10.1).

השרים והפרשים וההגמונים והכומרים והגלחים
והכפירים בעבורי:

ועתה בני! אם הגביר הבורא חסרו עלי ועליך
וכבודך לכבודי ישראל וגוים עד עתה. השתדל
אתה מעתה להוסיף כבוד על כבודך ויכבודך
בעבור עצמך. וזה תשיג במדותיך הטובות ומנהגיך
הנעימים עם בני אדם. ושתקבע ללמוד ולעסוק
במלאכתך ביום ובלילה כאשר היית עושה³⁶ קודם
נישואיך: ב'. מ'.

הנה הרבה בספרי חוץ ותמצא
אשר יכשר עשהו בשערים.
ויארך לשונך בין גדולים,
ויתגדל שמך על החברים:

בני! האר פניך לבני אדם. ובקר חוליהם. ויהיה
לשונך להם למרפא. ואם תקבל מעשירים היה
מרפא חנם לענייהם. והשם ישלם גמולך ויתן את
שכרך. ובזה תמצא חן ושכל טוב בעיני אלהים
ואדם. ותהיה מכובד מן הגדולים ומן הקטנים,
מישראל וגוים. ויצא לך שם טוב בקרוב ורחוק,

³⁶ This word must be inserted.

friends and make thy foes envious. For remember what is written in the *Choice of Pearls*:⁴⁸ "How shall one take vengeance on an enemy? By increasing his own good qualities." Remember also what I have written in my essay on the last chapter of Proverbs.⁴⁹

My son! Examine regularly, once a week, thy drugs and medicinal herbs, and do not employ an ingredient whose properties are unknown to thee. I have often impressed this on thee in vain when we were together.

My son! If thou writest aught, read it through a second time, for no man can avoid slips. Let not any consideration of hurry prevent thee from revising a short epistle. Be punctilious as to grammatical accuracy, in conjugations and genders, for the constant use of the vernacular sometimes leads to error in this regard. A man's mistakes in writing bring him into disrepute; they are remembered against him all his days. As our Sages say: "Who is it that uncovers his nakedness here and it is exposed everywhere? It is he who writes a document and makes mistakes therein." Be careful in the use of conjunctions and adverbs⁵⁰ (particles), and how thou appliest them and how they harmonize with the verbs. I have already begun to compose for thee a book on the subject, to be called "Principles of Style", may God permit me to complete it! And what-

⁴⁸ Ch. 53, ed. Ascher, 617.

⁴⁹ Nothing is known of this work by the author of the present text.

⁵⁰ E. "prepositions and copulative words."

ותשמח³⁷ אוהביך ותקניא שונאיך ואויביך. וכבר ידעת מה שזכר במבחר הפנינים, מי שרוצה להנקם מאויביו יוסף מעלה יתירה בעצמו. וזכור מה שפרשתי לך במאמר אשת חיל מי ימצא:

בני! הרגל עצמך לראות הסמנים ועשב הרפואות יום אחד בשבוע. ואל תשמש בדבר שלא תכיר אותו. וכמה פעמים פייסתיך שתרגיל בזה בעודי עמך. ותשלך דברי אחריך:

בני! כאשר תכתוב כתב שוב אליו וקראהו. כי אין אדם נצל מן השכחה. ואל יבהלך החפזון לשוב על אגרת קטנה להגיהה: והזהר מהטעות בלשון ובבניינים ובדקדוק ובלשון זכר ונקבה. כי פעמים מטעה בזה שגרת לשון הלעז. והטעות שתצא מיד האדם הוא הנתפש עליה ונזכר בה כל ימיו: וחכמים אמרו, מי הוא המגלה ערותו בכאן ונראית בכל? הוי אומר זה הכותב כתב ושועה בו: והוי זהיר בקשרים ומלות הטעם איך תביאם. ואיך יתחברו³⁸ הפעלים אל השמוש בהם: וכבר החילותי לחבר לך בזה ספר אם יזכיני השם להשלימו והוא

³⁷ MS. ותשמח.

³⁸ MS. in margin יתעברו.

ever thou art in doubt about and hast no book to refer to, abstain from expressing it! Endeavor to cultivate conciseness and elegance, do not attempt to write verse unless thou canst do it perfectly. Avoid heaviness, which spoils a composition, making it disagreeable alike to reader or audience.

The same rules apply to poetry. The lines must not drag, verbosity must be eschewed. The words must be harmonious to the ear and light on the tongue. Use no rare constructions or foreign idioms or terms, for though the latter may be justified by analogy, they are none the less unnatural. And remember what I said to thee when thou didst make a blunder over an infinitive!⁵¹ Avoid all such faults. But choose what is sweet to thy palate and pleasant to those who hear thee.

See to it that thy penmanship and handwriting is as beautiful as thy style.⁵² Keep thy pen in fine working order, use ink of good color. Make thy script as perfect as possible, unless forced to write without proper materials, or in a pressing emergency. The beauty of a composition depends on the writing, and the beauty of the writing on pen, paper, and ink; and all

⁵¹ Lit: "when thou didst write בישבתי instead of בשבתי." E. has the impossible rendering: "When thou wrotest, 'When I sat in the place on my seat.'"

⁵² On this subject see remarks on p. 52.

סוד צחות הלשון. ומה שתסתפק בו ולא יהיה לך
ספר לעיין עליו רחק מעליו! והשתדל בכתבך
שתהיה מליצתך קצרה וצחה. ואל תרדוף החרוז
בכתבך אם לא יבואך לתמו. ואל תנהגו בכבדות.
כי אם תנהגו בכבדות יפסיד כתבך. ולא יהיה
ערב לקוראיו ולשומעיו:

וכן תעשה בשיר. רחק מהבא מליצותיו בכבדות
ובמלות רבות. ויהיו המלות ערבות. וקלות³⁹ על
הלשון. ובנייניו בניינים נמצאים. ואל תביא בניינים
זרים ולא מלות זרות אפילו אם הם עוברות מדרך
ההקשה. כי הדבר הנכרי אינו מקובל לטבע: וזכור
מה שאמרתי לך כשכתבת בישבי במקום בשבתי.
הרחק מעל כל כיוצא בזה דרכך. ובחר מה שיהיה
מתוק לחכך וערב לשומעו!

ויפה כתבך וכתיבתך. והטיב מלאכת קולמוסך.
והדיו אשר תהיה כותב בו יהיה טוב במראהו.
ואגרתך תהיה טובה מאד כפי יכלתך. אלא אם
תכתוב בעת שלא יזדמן לך אחת מאלה. ובשעה
רחוקה ובדבר נחוץ: כי יפי הכתב בכתיבה. ויפי
הכתיבה בקולמוס ובאגר ובדיו. ויפי כתב האגרת

these excellencies are an index to the author's worth. Do not get into the habit of contracting the characters or of running them together, but make each long, broad, straight. Do not swallow up the *yod* but draw it out precise and clear. Another mark of beautiful handwriting is that the *lamed* should be long at the top and the neck properly turned;⁵³ also that the *kuf*, and the final *caf* and *nun* should have long and even down strokes. A point on which great care is needed is that if there be in the same line several cases of the letters named, one should not be shorter or longer than the other. Thou hast seen books in my handwriting and my precision in these matters, and must remember how the son of thy master, R. Jacob, expressed his admiration in thy presence. For writing, as I said above, is an art among the arts,⁵⁴ and the more care one takes the better is the result. Be fastidious, too, in the alignment; the lines must be straight, and the spacing uniform, so that one does not go up and another down. And may thy God prosper thee, and make thee straight in all thy ways!

And now, my son! in many of these matters,

⁵³ Perhaps the author means that the *lamed* must have a straight neck, a translation of which the Hebrew is susceptible. ⁵⁴ Lit. "a form among the forms".

מורה עלי יקרת הכותב: והשתדל להיטיב כתיבתך כפי יכולתך. ואל תרגיל להיותי⁴¹ אותיותיך קצרות ומובלעות זו בזו. אך הרגל עצמך לעשותם ארוכות ומרוחות ועומדות. ואל תבליע היור בין אות לאות כאשר אתה רגיל. אך עשה אותו בקו היושר: ומנואי הכתיבה והכתב שיהיו הלמדים ארוכות למעלה וצואריהם נטוי על קו היושר. וכן הקופין והכפין והנונין הארוכה שיהיו⁴² שוקיהם למטה ארוכים ושויין. ומן הזריזות בכתיבה שאם יתקבצו למדין או נונין או קופין או כפין בשטה אחת שלא תהיה אחת קצרה מחברתה ולא ארוכה מחברתה. וכבר ראית ספרי בכתב ידי ושמירתי בעניין זה. עד שתמה על זה בנו של ר' יעקב רבך לפניך. כי הכתיבה כאשר אמרתי לך היא צורה מן הצורות וכל אשר יזהר אדם בתיקונה תראה נאה יותר: ועל שטותיך שים דעתך שיהיו ישרות. וערך כל אחת מהנה אל חברתה שוה. ושלא תהיה אחת עולה למעלה ואחת יורדת למטה. ואלהיך ישכילך וישרך בכל דרכיך!

ועתה בני! מה שנהגת עמי עד עתה שלא שמעת

⁴⁰ MS. adds כתיבת. ⁴¹ MS. שיהיה.

wherein thou didst not obey me when I was with thee, obey me at this time, when I am far off.⁵⁵ In all thy business, thy buying and selling, thou didst not do me the honor to ask my advice, nor didst thou even keep me informed. Whenever I asked thee, thou wast impatient, and didst conceal the facts from me. If I gave thee advice thou didst reject it, though never didst thou succeed when thou didst act against my counsel. *Ben Mishle* says:

The father of a son who brought
His child to the house of the wise,
And pointed out the way of life,
But he chose the path of the proud;
Who breathed in him, to fire his mind,
But he refused to tend the fire;
Leave him! and reliance place
On time for his discipline!⁵⁶

Long ago thou didst see what happened to thee with Solomon, son of the learned R. Joseph, when thou refusedst my order and advice. I will not further narrate how thou didst show me disrespect in this matter. Even in Marseilles, when we were together in a strange land, and thou didst purchase many worthless wares,⁵⁷ my advice

⁵⁵ The author makes several pregnant allusions to the fact that at the time of writing this Testament father and son were separated.

⁵⁶ Harkavy explains the verse in another sense. The son who has been set on the right way may be trusted to continue on it.

⁵⁷ Perh. render: "wares of great and small value."

לי ברוב העניינים בהיותי עמך. שמע לי עתה
בהיותי רחוק ממך! כי אתה יודע כי בכל עסקיך
ומקחיך וממכריך לא חלקת לי כבוד לשאול ממני
עצה בדבר ולא להודיעני: ואם הייתי שואל אותך,
היית קץ בשאלתי ומעלים ממני. ואם הייתי נותן
לך עצה היית עובר על עצתי. ואתה יודע כי
מעולם לא עברת על עצתי בדבר והצלחת בו!
בן משלי,

אבי הבן אשר הביא
בנו אל בית מחוכמים,
והורהו נתיב חיים,
ובחר הוא נתיב רמים,
ונפחו בו להשכילו,⁴²
ולא נפחו בפחמים,⁴³
עזוב אותו! והשען
במוסרו עלי ימים!

וכבר ראית מה שקרה לך עם שלמה בנו של
החכם ר' יוסף כשעברת על דברי ועל עצתי. ומה
אזכור או אספר מהקלותך⁴⁴ אותי בעניין הזה:
אפילו במרשיליאה הייתי עמך ביחד בארץ נכריה.
וקנית מסחרים רבים ופחותים ולא שאלת עצתי

מהקלותיך MS. ⁴⁴ כפחמים ? ⁴³ להשכיל O ⁴²

was not asked, nor was I told anything. I knew nothing of all thy doings and dealings until thou didst unload the goods from the ship in the city of Arles.⁵⁸ If a non-Jew from my city had happened to be there, he would have consulted or informed me as to his buying and selling. Worse still, when thou didst write thy letters or compose thine odes to send abroad, thou wast unwilling to show a word to me and didst prevent me from seeing. When I said to thee, "Show me!", thou wouldst answer: "Why dost thou want to see?" as if thinking that my help was unnecessary. And this was from thy folly, in that thou wast wise in thine own eyes.⁵⁹ *Ben Mishle* says:

Who is wise in his own sight,
E'er thinks his errors just;
And oft the cloud to him doth seem
The sun, the sun a cloud!

Even R. Zerahyah⁶⁰, of blessed memory, who stood alone in his generation, and was more learned than I, never, from the day he knew me, wrote a letter or a poem to send to anyone, without showing it to me before it left his hand. Even of his letters to his brother he showed many to me before he sent them off. On my part, when I wrote letters, I said to thee: "Look at them,

⁵⁸ The journey to Arles from Marseilles would be about 40-50 miles by water (partly by sea, partly up the Rhone), and then some 25 miles by land from Arles to Lunel.

⁵⁹ It is strange that our author should so misinterpret a youth's natural reluctance to show his verses at home.

⁶⁰ On this scholar and poet see *J. E.*, xii, 660.

גם לא הודעתני. ולא ידעתי מכל מעשיך ומסחריך
 דבר עד שהוצאת אותם מן הספינה בעיר ארלדי:
 ואלו היה גוי שרוי ומעירי היה שואל עצתי או מודיע
 אותי במקחו וממכרו: ולא עוד אלא כשהיית
 כותב כתביך או עושה שיריך⁴⁵ לשלוח לארץ
 אחרת לא היית רוצה להראות לי דבר. והיית מונע
 ממני לראות: וכאשר הייתי אומר לך, הראיני!
 היית אומר לי, מה אתה רוצה לראות? כאילו היית
 חושב בעצמך כי אינך צריך לי בדבר. וזה
 מסכלותך וממה שהיית חכם בעיניך: ב' מ'

אשר יהיה חכם לבבי⁴⁶ בעיניו,

תעיתו יהי⁴⁷ חושב נכונה.

ותתחלף⁴⁸ עננה לו פעמים

באור שמש ושמש בעננה:

והרב ר' זרחיה ז"ל שהיה יחיד בדורו. והיה
 חכם ממני. מיום שידעני לא כתב ולא עשה שיר
 לשלוח לשום אדם שלא הראהו לי קודם שיצא
 מידו. ורבים מכתביו לאחיו היה מראה לי קודם
 שישלחם: ואתה יודע כי אני כשהייתי כותב כתבי
 הייתי אומר לך, ראה אותם אם יש בהם להשיג

45 MS. שירך. 46 H omits. 47 O תהי. 48 H ותתחלף.

perhaps there is something in them to alter or correct!" This I did from the day that I discovered in thee a knowledge of style and grammar. As the Arab says: He who sits at the brink bends.⁶¹ All these evil courses hast thou adopted towards me. I bore them though deeply grieved, whilst thou didst provoke me, treating my honor as a light thing, neglecting the duty imposed on thee by God to show me respect! May the Omnipresent grant thee perfect pardon here and hereafter, may He be gracious and teach thee to do His will, and cause thee to find favor and good understanding in His sight and in the sight of all mankind! If, my son, thou desirest to undo the past, the Creator will grant His pardon, and I shall forgive thee all without reserve or reluctance.⁶² Reject not my word in all that I have written for thee in this, my Testament, and wherein thou hast not honored me heretofore, honor me for the rest of my days and after my death! All the honor I ask of thee is to attain a higher degree in the pursuit of wisdom, to excel in right conduct and beautiful character, to behave in friendly spirit to all and to gain a good name, that greatest of crowns! to deserve applause for thy dealings and association with thy fellows, to cleave to the fear of God and the performance of His commandments,—thus wilt thou honor me in life and in death!

⁶¹ i. e. to drink.

⁶² Perhaps render: If thou desirest pardon, God will grant it; and if thou desirest my forgiveness, reject not, etc.

או לתקן! כי מיום שהכרתי בך שאתה יודע מליצה ודקדוק⁴⁹ לא עשיתי כתב שלא אמרתי לך, ראה אם יש בו להשיג או לתקן! כי הערב אומר, היושב על השפה שוחה: כל אלה המנהגים הרעים נהגת בי וסבלתי והייתי רואג מאוד עליהם. והקצפתני והכעסתני והמריתני והקילות בכבודי. ובמה שחייבך הבורא ממני. ועברת על מצותו⁵⁰ בזה: המקום ימחול לך בעוה"ז ובעולם הבא מחילה שלימה. וירצך וילמדך לעשות רצונו. וימציאך חן ושכל טוב בעיניו ובעיני כל אדם! ואם תרצה בני להשיג כל מה שחלף לך מכל זה ויסלח לך הבורא. ואסלח לך אני גם בנפש חפיצה וברצון על כל מה שעבר: אל תמרה את פי בכל מה שכתבתי לך בצואתי זאת: ומה שלא כבדתי עד עתה, כבדני במה שנשאר מימי ואחרי מותי! וכל כבודי שתוסיף מעלה בבקשת החכמה ובמנהגים טובים והמדות החמורות. ושתהיה רצוי לכל ושיהיה לך שם טוב שהוא הכתר הגדול. ושתדבק ביראת האל ובשמור מצותיו. ושיהיו עסקיך וחברתך עם בני אדם בעניין שידוך הכל. ובזה תכבדני בחיי ובמותי! ב' מ'

⁴⁹ MS. ובדקדוק.⁵⁰ MS. מצותי.

Ben Mishle says:

In the son of the wise are three virtues:

His errors are few and his follies;

He bows, feeling humble, to his people;

He is raised above them all by his wisdom.

Thanks to my Creator, I know of thee that thou fearest Heaven in all thy ways, except as regards honoring thy father. Thou hast transgressed my commands and refused me obedience. Great, however, is this thing in the sight of God and man. Acquire the virtue of obedience and prosper! I trust to God that this, my separation, will be for thy good, and that thou wilt take it to thy heart to receive instruction, for thou hast none beside me, except thine own soul, mind and understanding. The Nagid of blessed memory has said:

What good is there in life if my work

To-day remains as 'twas yesterday?

Therefore, my son! Strive to honor me and thee from this day onwards. All the honor I desire is to be remembered for good because of thee in life and death; that those who behold thee may exclaim: "Blessed be he who begat this one, blessed be he who reared him!"⁶³ For I have no son but thee by whom my name may be recalled, and all my memory and glory are centered in thee. Reward from God and renown from men shall accrue to thee, in that thou continuest my name for good!

⁶³ Reversing T. B. Sanh. 52a.

בבן חכם שלשה מעללים,
 שגיאותיו מתי מספר וסכלו,
 וישח בעבור קטנו לעמו,
 ויתנשא לראש⁵¹ כלם בשכלו:

ותהלה ליוצרי! יודע אני בכך כי ירא שמים אתה
 בכל דרכיך. רק בדבר כבוד אב בלבד. שעברת
 על מצותי ולא שמעת לקולי. וגדולה היא בעיני
 הבורא ובעיני כל בני אדם. והשג תשיג והצל תציל!
 ואני יודע ובוטח ביוצרי שפרידתי זאת תהיה לך
 לטובה. כי תשיב אל לבך לקחת מוסר. כי אין לך
 בלעדי כי אם נפשך ודעתך ושכלך: והנגיד ז"ל
 אמר,

מה טוב בחיים אם פעולתי .

היום כמו היתה ביום אתמול?

על כן בני! השתדל בכבודי וכבודך מעתה
 וכבודי כולו שאזכר⁵² לטובה בעבורך בחיים
 ובמות. ויאמרו רואיך, ברוך שזה ילד! ברוך שזה
 גדל! כי אין לי בן להזכיר בו שמי זולתך. וכי
 כל זכרי ותפארתי אינם כי אם כך. על כן במה
 שתשים זכרי לטובה יהיה לך שכר טוב אצל הבורא
 ותפארת בני אדם:

⁵¹ בראש O.

⁵² MS. שאזכור.

Thou knowest what I suffered in bringing thee up. Thou hast seen what the learned R. Moses, son of R. Judah, did. He had four sons, and he dispersed them here and there, and went and left them, to marry again. But I, from out of my compassion towards thee, did not wish to bring thee into the hand of another woman.⁶⁴ But I bore all the anxiety, and great it was, of rearing and caring for thee. Thou knowest this, and all men know it, for, but for my great devotion thou wouldst have died, or lived deformed. Remember these things, my son! and take it to thy heart to hear and perform my instructions. Very important is it that thou shouldst fulfil my commands regarding thy diet. Slay me not before my time! For thou knowest my distress, my soul's sorrow, my fear for thee in thy sickness. Better death to me than life, that I look not on my wretchedness.⁶⁵ Yearly, as thou knowest, thou art visited with sickness (for my sins!), and the chief cause of thy complaints is unwholesome food. *Ben Mishle* says:

Dost thou desire thy health to hold,
 O'er thy lust make long thy furrow;⁶⁶
 Wage war against thyself as though
 Opposed to archer or to spearman!

And now, O my son! by the God of heaven,

⁶⁴ E. has misunderstood the whole of this passage. The author clearly refers to his disinclination to provide a stepmother for his son. E. takes it to refer to Samuel's marriage.

⁶⁵ Cf. Jonah 4.3, Num. 11. 15. ⁶⁶ Ps. 129.3.

וכבר ידעת מה שסבלתי בעבור גדולך. וראית
מה שעשה ההכם ר' משה בר' יהודה שהיו לו
ארבעה בנים. ופזרם אצל כל פנה והלך והניחם
לקחת אשה. ואני בחמלתי עליך לא רציתי להביאך
ביד אשר אחרת. וסבלתי כל הצער אשר סבלתי
מגדול ומשמירתך הגדולה. כי אתה יודע ההפלגה
שהגעתי בשמירתך. ובני אדם יודעים זה כי לולא
השמירה הגדולה ההיא היית מת או בעל מום קבוע
או מחוסר: זכור אלה בני! והשב אל לבך לשמוע
בקולי ולקחת מוסרי. ומן הדבר הגדול שתקיים
בו מצותי ותשמר דברי שתשמר במאכליך. ואל
תמיתני בלא עתי. כי אתה יודע צערי וצרת נפשי
ופחדי עליך בחלייך ויראתי בעבורך. וטוב היה
לי מותי מחיי ואל אראה ברעתי. ותדע כי אתה
מנוסה בחליים בכל שנה בעוונותי. ורוב סבותם
המאכלים הרעים: ב' מ'

אם תאהב הרבות שלומים לך,

על תאותך הארך מענית!

ולחם לך עם נפשך כאשר

תלחם באיש יורה בחץ וחנית!

ועתה בני! אני אשביעך באלהי השמים ובמה

by the obedience to me imposed by His law, by the gratitude due for my rearing and educating thee, I adjure thee to abstain, with all thy resolution, from noxious food! Experience has taught thee how much thou hast suffered from carelessness in this regard. Be content with little and good, and beware of hurtful sweets. "Eat no eating that prevents thee from eatings."⁶⁷ What is the use of all thy wisdom if "thou layest a snare for my life, to cause me to die?"⁶⁸ Art thou not ashamed before thyself and the world when all know that thou art periodically sick because of thy injurious diet? There is no more disgraceful object than a sick physician, who shall forsooth mend others when he cannot mend himself.⁶⁹ *Ben Mishle* says:

Turn from one who enjoins the doing
Of right, but himself is a man of wrong!
How shall *he* heal the malady,
Who himself suffers from its pain?

Take heed to thyself! Preserve thy life, be not thine own destroyer! And if thou hast no pity on me and on thyself, have compassion on the child of thy delight, the object of thy yearning! For I shall be but a little while with you. Give me ease for that short space, be not a transgressor because of me! As *Ben Mishle* says:

⁶⁷ Quoted, later, by Joshua Ibn Shuaib (Discourse 44) as a proverb.

⁶⁸ I Sam. 28.9.

⁶⁹ Gen. Rabbah 20; Luke 4.23.

שחייבך הבורא מכבודי. ובמה שיש לי עליך מן הגדול ולמוד תורה. שתשמר בכל יכולתך מן המאכלים הרעים. כי כבר ידעת ונסית כי כל חלייך הן מאשר הקלות במאכלים הרעים: והסתפק בני! במעט הטוב והרחק מן הערב המזיק. ואל תאכול אכילה שתמנע אכילות. ולמה חכמת אתה אז יותר ואתה מתנקש בנפשי להמיתני? ולמה לא תבוש מעצמך ומבני אדם שכולם יודעים כי בעבור מאכליך הרעים אתה חולה בכל שנה? כי אין גנות ובושה כמו רופא שיהיה חולה. ויקשט אחרים ואינו יכול לקשט עצמו: בן משלי,

סור ממצוה לעשות
צדק, והוא איש עולה!
איכה ירפא החלי
מי בו כחליו מחלה?

השמר לך בני! ושמור נפשך ואל תחבל בעצמך. ואם לא תחמול עלי ולא על נפשך חמול על ילד שעשועיך והמון מעיך. כי אני מעט יש לי לעמוד עמכם. הנח לי בני! במעט ההוא ואל תאשם בעבורי! בן משלי,

If one follow the counsel of the foolish,
 His foes will see his fall;
 Who scorns the word of his doctor,
 Falls indeed—into disease!⁷⁰

Thanks, thanks, to God, thou hast good food to eat and good wine to drink; but even wert thou to live on bread and water if I so commanded, 'twould but be thy duty. Lo, the sons of Jonadab son of Rechab denied themselves most of the enjoyments of life, they, their wives, and their children. But I seek to restrain thee only from things injurious to thy health. *Ben Mishle* says:

Who eateth naught but wholesome food,
 His food is *for* him;
 But if he eat unwholesome food,
 His food is against him.

Say not in thy heart: "I will venture as before and will escape."⁷¹ For all the world knows that but for the mercy of God and for my nearness to thee, thou hadst been near to death.⁷² (May the Lord preserve thee in happy life). But not at every hour does a miracle happen!⁷³ "Lo, all these things doth God work, twice, yea thrice, with a man" [but not always].⁷⁴

⁷⁰ E: "Will have no comfort in sickness."

⁷¹ I have translated as though the Heb. text read ואנצל.

⁷² The Heb. has euphemistically "life".

⁷³ T. B. Meg. 7b.

⁷⁴ Job 33.29.

מהלך בעצת סכל⁵³

משנאיו בו יהיו⁵⁴ רואים.

והמיקל בניב רופא

יהי נופל בתחלואים:

ושבח לבורא! תוכל לאכול לחם טוב ולשתות
יין טוב. ואפילו אם היית אוכל לחם ומים
בעבור כבודי וכדי לעשות רצוני היה לך לעשות:
והנה בני יונדב בן רכב כאשר אמרתי לך מנעו
עצמם מרוב הנאות העולם הם ונשיהם ובניהם.
ואני איני מונע אותך כי אם מן המזיקים: בן משלי,

אשר יאכל אכלים הראוים

לגופתו, יהי⁵⁵ לו מאכלו.

והאוכל אכלים לא ראוים,

תהי עליו אכילתו ולא לו:

ואל תאמר בני בלבך אצא כפעם בפעם ואנצר.
כי כל העולם יודעים כי לולא חסד השם ורחמיו.
ושהייתי קרוב אליך. קרוב היית לחיים. המקום
יחיך חיים טובים! ולא כל שעתא ושעתא מתרחיש
ניסא. והן כל אלה יפעל אל פעמים שלש עם נבר:

Bethink thyself that I shall not be far from thee a day or two, or ten or twenty days, [but for a very long time]. Take all this to thy heart and act accordingly. Gossip not overmuch in the public streets, and do not dine away from home all the days of my absence. If an esteemed friend or relative invite thee to a banquet, pay him thy respects by thy presence and courtesy only.⁷⁵

My son! Acquire a knowledge of the Calendar;⁷⁶ take occasional lessons in the subject from R. Aaron. It is a most necessary science.

My son! I command thee to honor thy wife to thine utmost capacity. She is intelligent and modest, a daughter of a distinguished and educated family. She is a good housewife and mother, and no spendthrift. Her tastes are simple, whether in food or dress. Remember her assiduous tendance of thee in thine illness, though she had been brought up in elegance and luxury. Remember how she afterwards reared thy son⁷⁷ without man or woman to help her. Were she a hired nurse she would have earned thy esteem and forbearance; how much the more, since she is the wife of thy bosom, the

⁷⁵ i. e. attend, but do not partake of the feast.

⁷⁶ E.: "study chronology." On Aaron ben Meshullam see *J. E.*, i, 18.

⁷⁷ The variation of the use of "son" and "sons" (unless it be due to the carelessness of the scribe) points to the fact (confirmed by the statement at the end of the metrical epilogue) that the author more than once re-touched his Testament, which bears several signs of different dates.

ועתה בני! אינני⁵⁶ רחוק ממך יום אחד ולא יומיים
ולא עשרה ימים ולא עשרים יום. השב אל לבך
כל זה ועשה כפיהו: בני! אל תרבה לשוח במסלות
ובדרכים. ואל תאכל בסעודה חוץ לביתך כל
ימי נדודי ממך: ואם יקראך לסעודה מי שיקר
בעיניך אוהב או קרוב כבדהו בעמידתך ושמושך
בלבר:

בני! למוד לעתים לפני החכם ר' אהרן מן
העבור. כי חכמה שהצורך אליה היא:

בני! גם אני מצוך שתכבד אשתך בכל יכלתך.
כי אשה משכלת וצנועה ובת גדולים בחכמה וביחס.
ושמשת טובה לך ולבנך. ואינה מפזרת. ולא מבקשת
גדולות לא במאכל ובמשתה ולא בכסות. וזכור
שמושה הטוב לך בחלייך והיא כבודה ויחידה.
וגדולה את בנך⁵⁷ אחר כן בלא עוזרת ובלא עוזר.
ואפילו אם היתה מיניקת לבניך היה לך לכבדה
ולפייסה. כל שכן אשת חיקך ובת גדולים אל תנהג

⁵⁶ MS. איני.

⁵⁷ Perh. read לבניך; see note to translation.

daughter of the great, art thou bound to treat her with consideration and respect. To act otherwise is the way of the contemptible. The Arab philosopher says of women: "None but the honorable honoreth them, none but the despicable despises them." *Ben Mishle* also says:

Pardon thy child and wife their failings,
And persevere in thine exhortations;
As an armorer sharpens the edge of a sword,
By oft drawing it to and fro on the stone.

If thou wouldst acquire my love, honor her with all thy might; do not exercise too severe an authority over her; our Sages have expressly warned men against this.⁷⁸ If thou givest orders or reprovest, let thy words be gentle. Enough is it if thy displeasure is visible in thy look, let it not be vented in actual rage. Let thy expenditure be well ordered. It is remarked in the *Choice of Pearls*:⁷⁹ "Expenditure properly managed makes half an income." And there is an olden proverb: "Go to bed without supper and rise without debt." Defile not the honor of thy countenance by borrowing; may thy Creator save thee from that habit! *Ben Mishle* says:

When thou art poor, ride on the back of a lion,⁸⁰
To seek thy sustenance, and beg of none!
Nor covet other's wealth, for in such envy
Thine own heart thou painest more than
another's!

⁷⁸ T. B. Gittin 7b.

⁷⁹ Ch. i (beginning).

⁸⁰ i. e. go through any danger rather than beg alms.

לקלות ולהבזות כי כן מנהג הפחותים. וחכם הערב
אמר על הנשים לא יכבדם כי אם נכבדו. ולא
יבזם כי אם נבזה: בן משלי,

סלח לבן ולאשה מריהם

ושובה עוד וצוה בן ואשה.

כמו לוטש פני חרב אשר הוא⁵⁸

ברוב הולך⁵⁹ ורוב הבא לטושה:

ואם רצונך לקנות אהבתי כבדנה בכל יכלתך.
ואל תטיל עליה אימה יתירה. ורבותינו ז"ל הזהירו
מזה: ואם תצוה ותוכיח יהיו דבריך בנחת. ותספיק
שתראה הכעס בפניך במה שלא כרצונך ואל
תוציאהו למעשה: ושתנהוג בהוצאתך בסדר⁶⁰ נאה.
וכבר נאמר במבחר הפנינים, הסדר בהוצאה חצי
הספוק. ומשל הקדמוני לין בלא סעודה והשכם
בלא חוב: ולא תחלל בני הדר פניך בשאלה.
ויוצרך יצילך ממדה זו! ב' מ'

בעת תדל רכב על גב ארי אל⁶¹

מזונך, ואל תשאל לאישים!

ואל תחמוד! למען כי בחמדך

לבבך תעציב טרם אנשים!

אריאל O⁶¹. בסתר MS.⁶⁰. הביא, הולך O⁵⁹. היא O⁵⁸.

Thou knowest already what is said on this subject in the *Choice of Pearls*⁸¹ and in *Ben Mishle*; how they denounced this failing, which indeed cleaves like leprosy and degrades all self-respect. *Ben Mishle* says:

Eat herbs in safety,⁸²
 And not meat in danger;
 Take one thing by commerce,
 And not a thousand by gifts!

My son! Devote thy mind to thy children⁸³ as I did to thee; be tender to them as I was tender; instruct them as I instructed; keep them as I kept thee! Try to teach them Torah as I have tried, and as I did unto thee do thou unto them! Be not indifferent to any slight ailment in them, or in thyself (may God deliver thee and them from all sickness and plague), but if thou dost notice any suspicion of disease in thee or in one of thy limbs, do forthwith what is necessary in the case. As Hippocrates has said: Time is short, and experiment dangerous. Therefore be prompt, but apply a sure remedy, avoiding doubtful treatment.

Examine thy Hebrew books at every new moon, the Arabic volumes once in two months, and the

⁸¹ Ch. 48.

⁸² Cf. Prov. 15.17. It seems (as Kahana has suggested) that the sentiments of the *Ben Mishle* are mostly, if not invariably, epigrammatic expansions of texts in Proverbs. So with the same poet's *Ben Tehillim* (Psalms) and *Ben Koheleth* (Ecclesiastes); they are modelled on texts in the books after which they are named.

⁸³ Here the *plural* is used several times in the Hebrew.

וכבר ראית מה שנאמר בזה במבחר הפנינים
ובבן משלי. כי המדה הזאת דבקה כצרעת
ומפחיתה כל מעלה: ב' מ'

אכול ירק במבטחים,
ולא בשר בסכנה!
וקח אחת בחק מקח,
ולא אלף במתנה!

בני! הרגיש על בניך כאשר הרגשתי עליך.
וחמול עליהם כחמלתי. ויסרם כמוסרי. ושמרם
כשמירתי. והשתדל ללמדם תורה כשהשתדלתי.
וכאשר עשיתי לך כן תעשה להם. ואל תקל במעט
מיחוש שיקרה להם וכן בעצמך. והאלהים יצילך
ויצילם מכל מהלה ומכל נגע! ואם תרגיש בשום
מיחוש בעצמך או באחד מאברייך⁶² מיד תשתדל
לעשות כל הצריך לעניין. וכבר ידעת מה שאמר
אבוקרט, כי העת צר והנסיון סכנה. על כן היה
זריז ואל תאריך! והשתמש במובטח ורחק מן הספק:
ופקוד ספריך העבריים בכל ראש חודש.
והערביים פעם בשני חדשים. והכרכים הקשורים

⁶² Pesh. read מבניך.

bound codices once every quarter. Arrange thy library in fair order, so as to avoid wearying thyself in searching for the book thou needest. Always know the case⁸⁴ and chest where the book should be. A good plan would be to set in each compartment a written list of the books therein contained.⁸⁵ If, then, thou art looking for a book, thou canst see from the list the exact shelf it occupies without disarranging all the books in the search for one. Examine the loose leaves in the volumes and bundles, and preserve them. These fragments contain very important matters which I collected and copied out. Do not destroy any writing or letter of all that I have left. And cast thine eye frequently over the Catalogue so as to remember what books are in thy library.

Never intermit thy regular readings with thy teacher, study in the college of thy master on certain evenings before sitting down to read with the young. Whatever thou hast learned from me or from thy teachers, impart it again regularly to worthy pupils, so that thou mayest retain it, for by teaching it to others thou wilt know it by heart, and their questions will compel thee to precision, and remove any doubts from thine own mind.

Never refuse to lend books to anyone who has not the means to purchase books for himself, but

⁸⁴ See note to Hebrew text. The word is obviously the Sp. *armario* (Fr. *armoire*).

⁸⁵ This method was often adopted in old libraries, see the example in the fine book-cases in St. John's College, Cambridge.

פעם בשלושה חרשים: וסדר הכל סדר נאה כדי שלא תיגע לחפש ספר כשאתה צריך אליו. ושתדע מקומו מן הארמרים⁶³ והתיבות: ואם היית כותב ספרי כל בית מן הארמרים באגרת, ותשימנה בבית ההוא, כדי שאם תחפש ספר תראה באגרת באי זה בית הוא, קודם שתבלבל הספרים, היתה זריזות נאה! וכן תעשה בתיבות. ועיין בעלים אשר בכרכים ובאגורות ושמרם! ואל תבו להם. כי יש בהם חמודות גדולות ממה שקבצתי וכתבתי. ואל תאבד כתב ולא אגרת מכל מה שהנחתי. וכן עיין במזכרת ספריך תמיד כדי שתזכור מה שיש אתך מן הספרים:

ואל תניח לעסוק בתלמודך לפני רבך. ואל תקבע ללמוד עם הבחורים כי אם אחר שתקום מבית מדרש רבך בקצת הלילות. וכל מה שלמדת ממני ומרבותיך למד לתלמידים הגונים תמיד. כדי שיתקיים למודך בידך. ובלמודך להם תדע אותו על פה. ויחדרוך בשאלותם לצאת מן הספק שבלמודך:

ואל תמנע מלהשאל ספריך למי שאין בידו

⁶³ MS. here and below הארמדים.

only act thus to those who can be trusted to return the volumes. Thou knowest what our Sages said in the Talmud,⁸⁶ on the text: "Wealth and riches are in his house; and his merit endureth for ever."⁸⁷ But, "Withhold not good from him to whom it is due,"⁸⁸ and take particular care of thy books. Cover the book-cases with rugs⁸⁹ of fine quality; and preserve them from damp and mice, and from all manner of injury, for thy books are thy good treasure. If thou lendest a volume make a memorandum before it leaves thy house, and when it is returned, draw thy pen over the entry. Every Passover and Tabernacles call in all books out on loan.

Make it a fixed rule in thy home to read the Scriptures, and to peruse grammatical works on Sabbaths and festivals, also to read *Proverbs* and the *Son of Proverbs*. Also I beg of thee, look at the chapter concerning Jonadab son of Rechab every Sabbath, to instil in thee diligence to fulfil my commands.

My son! If thou hearest abuse of me from the lips of fools, be silent and make no reply. Take no notice of aught that they may say against me. Remember what *Ben Mishle* says:

The good will of others is the fruit of meekness,
And the fruit of contentment is tranquillity;

⁸⁶ T. B. Ketubot 50a.

⁸⁷ Ps. 122.3. The Talmud applies the verse to one who writes the Scriptures and lends his copies to others.

⁸⁸ Prov. 3.27.

⁸⁹ Sp. tapeta. Cf. Fr. tapis. Ger. Teppich. There is also the Rabbinic רִשְׁפִּיט, a loan word from the Greek *τάπησ* (*ητος*).

יכולת לקנות ספר. ובלבד שהוא מובטח שיחזירם
 לך: וכבר ידעת מה שאמרו רבותינו בכתובות
 בפסוק הון ועושר בביתו וצדקתו עומדת לעד:
 ואל תמנע טוב מבעליו ושמור ספריך שמירה רבה.
 וכסה הארמרים בתביט כסוי יפה. ושמור אותם
 מן המים מלמעלה ומן העכברים ומכל נזק כי הם
 אוצרך הטוב: וכאשר תשאל לאדם ספר כתבהו
 במזכרת קודם שיצא מן הבית. וכאשר ישיבהו
 העבר עליו קולמוס: ובכל פסח וסוכות השב
 לביתך כל מה שהשאלת מן הספרים לחוץ:

וקבע בביתך לקרוא המקרא ולעיין בספרי
 הרקדוק בשבתות ובימים טובים. ובמשלי ובבן
 משלי: בני! אני מפיס ממך גם כן שתעיין בכל שבת
 בפרשת בני יונדב בן רכב. כדי שתהיה זריז לשמור
 מצותי:

בני! אם תשמע חרפתי וגידופתי בפי הנבלים
 שתוק ואל תענם. ואם ידברו בי אל תרגיש להם:
 ב' מ'

אהבת בני אדם פרי לענוה.
 ופרי לשמח בחלקו מנוחה.

The fruit of hearing others in silence
Is peace of mind, confidence, and joy!

Show eagerness in honoring thy teachers and do them service. Attach thyself to their friends, make their foes thine. Treat them with respect in all places and under all circumstances, even though thou hast no need of them⁹⁰ while they have need of thee, a thousand and a thousand times more if thou needest them. As *Ben Mishle* says:

The wise is beloved of all,
And loveth all whom he meeteth;
The fool is hated of all,
And hateth all who may see him;
Therefore keep watch and ward,
To be a brother of wisdom,
And keep far thy name from the name
Of all the brothers of folly!

But, my son, honor thy comrades, and seek opportunities to profit them by thy wisdom, in counsel and deed. And unto the son of R. Zerah-yah, of blessed memory, thy master, remember his father's affection for me and for thee. Love him as a brother, esteem him as a fine scholar, for his father ever esteemed, loved and praised thee; he also left thee a praise and a blessing

⁹⁰ i. e. for further instruction.

ופרי לשומע ושותק היותו

שוקט ובוטח ונפשו שמחה:

בני! היה זריו בכבוד מוריך ומלמריך. ועבוד

אותם ואהוב אוהביהם ושנא שונאיהם. והדרם בכל

מקום במעמד ומושב. ואע"פ שאינך צריך להם

והם צריכים לך. כל שכן אלף אלפי כפלים אם

אתה צריך להם: ב' מ'

חכם לב אהוב הכל.

ואוהב לכל בואיו:

וסכל שנוא הכל.

ושנוא לכל רואיו:

ולכן שקוד ודרוש

היותך אחי חכמה.

ורחק שמך משם

אחי ריק וסכלות מה!"

אבל בני! כבוד חביריך. והרגיש עליהם להועיל

להם בחכמתך בעצה ובמעשה. ולבן הר' ר' זרחיה

ז"ל רבך תזכור אהבת אביו בי ובך. ותאהב אותו

כאח ותכבדהו כחבר גדול. כי כן היה מכבודך⁶⁴

ואוהבך ומשבח אותך אביו זצ"ל. גם הניח לך ברכה

⁶⁴ O omits מה and writes the last four lines as prose.

⁶⁵ MS. מכבודך.

after his death. My son! It can never be in thy power to requite such kindnesses; for no man can, all his days, repay one who has been in advance of him in friendship. As the Scripture says:⁹¹ "Who hath given me anything beforehand that I should repay him?" And O beware of the inimical and envious.

My son! Visit thy sisters constantly in thy letters,⁹² and inquire after their welfare. Show honor to thy relatives, for they will appreciate thy courtesies.

I enjoin on thee my son to read this, my Testament, once daily, at morn or at eve. Apply thy heart to the fulfilment of its behests, and to the performance of all therein written. Then wilt thou make thy ways prosperous, then shalt thou have good success.⁹³ If my advice seem good in thine eyes, select from among thy Arabic books one whose script pleases thee. Strive to imitate it. For in the instance of R. Samuel the Nagid, no one taught him to write Arabic. But he took a manuscript written by a scribe of repute and strove to copy it. He persevered until he succeeded in equalling his model. And now, my son! emulate such wisdom, and endeavor to follow men of virtue! Let not thy heart be envious of sinners, but let it be zealous in the fear of God all day!

⁹¹ Job 41.3.

⁹² The daughters of the author removed from Lunel on their marriage. In one of his poems 14 (ed. Harkavy), ha-Nagid uses the phrases "to visit in a letter".

⁹³ Judg. 1.8.

תהלה אחרי מותו ז"ל: בני! אל יספיק לך במי
שגמלך טוב במעשה או בכבוד או בדבור שתשלם
לו כמעשהו בלבד. כי לא יוכל אדם לשלם
למקדים כל ימיו. כמו שאמר הכתוב, מי הקדימני
ואשלם. והזהר מהשונא והמקנא!

בני! פקוד אחיותיך תמיד בכתביך. ושאל בשלומן
וחלוק כבוד לקרוביך. ויתכבדו בך:

ואני מצוה בני! וגזור עליך לקרות צואתי זאת
פעם אחת בכל יום או בלילה. ותן לבך לקיימה
ולעשות ככל הכתוב בה. כי אז תצליח את דרכיך
ואז תשכיל. ואם טובה עצתי בעיניך בחר לך
מספריך הערביים ספר אחד שתהיה כתיבתו נאה
בעיניך. והשתדל לדמותה ולחקותה. כי הנשיא ר'
שמואל לא למדהו אדם כתיבת הערבי. אך לקח
כתב אחד מכתבי הסופרים החשובים והשתדל
לכתוב כדמותו. וטרח עד שעלה בידו: ועתה בני!
קנא במשכילים ובאנשי מדות חמורות. ואל יקנא
לבך בחטאים. כי אם ביראת ה' כל היום!

And now I place before thee in verse⁹⁴ all the preceding Letter, so that all my admonitions may be told to thee in song!

Obeys my mandate, heed thou my advice,
And make, my son, the Law thy heart's desire!
Incline to wisdom an attentive ear,
Pursue the right, be faithful to the true!
Then Wisdom shall enthrone thee mid the great,
And fame become the meed of loyalty!
Serve but thy God with undivided love,
With dainties shall thy soul be satisfied!
To keep His Law hold ready hand and heart,
Heart to remember, hand as firm to do!
For lo, His word a lamp, His Law a light,
A refuge sure in storm and darkest wrath!

Honor thy parents, do them reverence,
Bind up thy soul in loving bond with theirs!
From evil turn, ne'er choose a rogue for friend,
And know thy God, act justly, and be saved!
Early and late attend at Learning's hall,
Make those thine intimates who seek her too!

⁹⁴ The rhymes of the original are not retained in the metrical paraphrase which follows. Nor have Scriptural references been appended; the snatches of quotation are numerous.

והנה לך בחרוז כל האגרת. אשר כל המוסר
בשיר אוגרת ומספרת!

שמור מצוה בני ושמע לעצה.

בתורת אל תהי לבך חפצה!

והטה את לבבך לתבונה.

והצדק רדוף ורעה אמונה!

תשימך התבונה רק למעלה.

ותתנך אמונתך תהלה!

ועבדה את אלהיך בכל לב.

ואז תשבע בכל דשן וחלב!

ומצותיו ותורותיו לשמרה.

וחוקיו לעשות הכון וזכרה!

הכי מצוה ותורה נר ואורה.

ומגדל עוז ביום זעם ועברה!

וכבוד אב ואם כבוד ומורה.

ושים נפשך בנפשותם קשורה!

וסור מרע ואל תתרע לרשע.

וצורך דע תהי צדיק ונושע!

והשכם אל נזה חכמה והערב.

וחברת דורשה תבחר ותקרב!

Whene'er thou speakest, let thy words be few,
Each phrase the best, and chosen every clause!
Rule o'er thy tongue in silence mid the throng,
Then o'er the silent throng thy tongue shall rule!
Fix not thine aim on frivolous jests and joys,
Nor waste in soft delights thy precious hours!
Let not thine heart to indolence incline,
The langor passes, but regret endures!
Engage in toil, yet all excess avoid,
Rely not on thy father's heritage:
Labor enough thine own wants to provide,
Happy the mortal whom his lot contents!
The fool, by trust in fortune, is destroyed,
While idleness the sluggard doth enslave!
If wealth be thine, let not thy heart be high,
Due honor show, and thy Creator laud!
Thy plenty share with all who are in need,
Load them, nay pamper, from thine ample store!
A tower of strength be thou, a present help,
Be humbly rich, if thou a Help wouldst find!

וקצר את דברִיך בדברֶך.
 וברר מאמריך באמרֶך!
 בהחרישך תהי מושל בניבך.
 והוא ימשול בדברֶך בניבך!⁶⁶
 וחק אל תתנה לשחוק ושמחה.
 ואל תבחר בתענוג והנחה!
 ואל יטה לבבך למנוחות.
 למען אחריתם לאנחות!
 ויגע נפשך אך לא להרבות.
 ואל תבטח עלי נחלה לאבות!
 יגע אך עד מלאת די מחסורך.
 ושמח בחלקו הוא יבורך!
 הכי שלות כסילים תאבדם.
 ועצלת העצלים תעבידם!
 ואל ירום לבבך בעשרך.
 ושים כבוד ותן תודה ליוצרך!
 ותן מלחמך לדל והענק
 לאביוֹנך. ולרעב תפנק!
 ומגדל עוז היה להם ומעוז.
 ואל תגאה ברוב עשרך ותעוז!

⁶⁶ So the MS. Perhaps we should read בלבך in the first line of the couplet..

To prayer attend at all appointed hours,
And make the House of God thine earliest goal!
O'er sons of men protecting wing outspread,
With gracious speech, my son, their sickness heal!
In pleasant places cast for thee the lines,
And boast not in the vanities of fools!
Assist thy kin, respect thy friends' demand,
Preserve thy wealth by giving generously!
Use all thy means the falling to upraise,
And cast not o'er thy pelf a miser's eye!
Nor covet what in other hands is found,
Lest thus thy soul with bitterness be filled,
While all thy days in grief and rage are spent;
And how can anger help or profit thee?
Thy want supplied, thou needst no fuller store,
Scorn him who cries enough is not enough!
And covet not thy neighbor's wife, my son,
Great though her charm, though beautiful her
form!

From men who utter falsehood keep aloof,
In slander's mischief see thou bear no hand!
From faction-mongers steadfastly withdraw,

והתפלל בעתות התפלה.
ואל בית הכנסת בא תחלה!
ולבני איש כנפיך תרפה.
בני. ולשונך יהיה למרפא!
והפל בנעימים לך חבלים.
ואל תהבל בהבלי הכסילים!
וקרב את קרוביך וכבר
חביריך. והונך אל תאבד!
בהכשלם עזור להם כיכלך.
ועינך אל תהי רעה בשלך!
ואל תחמוד אשר בידי אחרים
בני! פן נפשך תשבע מרורים.
וימך במכאובים וכעס.
ומה יועילך כעסך ויעש?
ובמלאת ספקך תשבע בכל הון.
ותלעג לאשר לא אמרו הון!
ואל תחמוד בני! אשת עמיתך.
ורוב לקחה ויופיה אל יסיתך!

רחק מדוברי שקר וסורה
בני, מהולכי רכיל וגורה!
ומעל דוברי סרה והפכם

Lest they entice thee to their erring ways!
The Rock that formed thee hold thou still in awe,
And fear to use His Name for frivolous ends!
From faults of other men avert thine eyes,
On thine own blemish gaze and know thy state!
Show kindness unto all thy fellow men,
Tender thy substance as well as thy advice;
If to thy counsel they incline deaf ears,
Then cease to pester them with futile words!

Forgive thy friend the injury he does,
Join not his foes, nor share their wicked plan!
With all the world deal ever honestly,
Lest thine own soul thou draggest down in shame!
If thou hast borrowed, pay before 'tis asked,
Avoid disputes, and tremble at an oath;
If thou hast lent, forbear to press thy debt,
Rely on God for certain recompense!

What thy lips utter let thine hands confirm,
Ne'er break the law this maxim inculcates!

נטה. פן יחטיאוך בדרכם!
 ואת צור בוראך תירא. ותפחד
 להשבע בשם אל המיוחד!
 והעלם עינך ממום חבירך.
 ומומך דע. והבט אל חסרך!⁶⁷
 וברר לחבירך אהבתך.
 והועילו בהונך ועצתך!
 ואם לא יאזין אל מאמרך
 בני, אל תוסף שנייה על דברך!

ולאזהבים היה נושא פשעים.
 ואל תבוא בסוד זרים ורעים!
 ויהיה עסקך טוב עם בני איש
 בני, פן נפשך תחפיר ותוביש!
 ועת תלזה פרע קודם תביעה.
 וסור מדין וגורה משבועה!
 ואל תגוש בהלוותך חברך.
 ואל שדי ישלם את שכרך!

ושמרה ועשה את מוצא שפתך.
 ושימה זאת בני חקך ורתך!

⁶⁷ The MS. reads מעמדך. Perhaps correct to אשריך
 ("thine own mode of life"). The rhyme needs a ר for the ד.

Thy tongue deliver from the liar's snare,
E'en in thine anger moderate thy taunts!
Than liars none are held in greater scorn,
For on them rests the stigma of their lies!
How honored in all eyes are men of faith,
How fair the path of upright men and true!
Thy secret unto others ne'er reveal,
Lock it within the prison of thine heart!
As strangers treat thy friends who fain would pry,
An alien her who in thy bosom lies!
For sacred still another's secret hold,
Nor gad about a dangerous gossip!

Sell not thy self-respect by asking boons,
Beg not, nor all thy dignity degrade;
Eat simple herbs, and feed on barley bread,
And do not veil thy countenance with shame!

Honor thy wife, and love and draw her nigh,
Speak to her heart with sweet and soft address;
Through thee let her be glorified, and thou
In her repute shalt find thyself renowned!

והצל מדבר שקר לשונך.
והארך אפך בגלות חרונך!
הכי כל דוברי שקר גרועים
בעיני כל. ובשקר ידועים!
ומה נכבד בעין כל איש אמונים.
ומה יקרו דרכיו הנכונים!
וסודך אל תגלה לאחרים.
ושים את לבך לו לבית אסורים!
ושים אוהבים בזה כנכרים.
ושוכבת בחיקך כזרים!
וסוד אחר לאדם לא תגלה.
ורכיל אל תהי הולך לכלה!

ואל תתן כבודך בשאלה.
הכי משאל מחלל כל גדולה!
והירק אכול עם פת שעורים.
ואל תפל הדר פנים יקרים!

ואשת חיקך כבד וקרב.
ויהיה לה דברך טוב וערב!
למען זאת תכובד בעבורך.
ובכבודה כבודך והדרך.

Because of her, hold thou her kindred dear,
Set them among thy brothers and thy friends!
And if thou must reprove, be gentle still,
Forbear from rough retort or violence;
Better she render service of her love,
Than that, compelled, she yield enforced consent!
Learn not to curse, for curses are enrolled
Among the grievous, not 'mong trivial sins!
Unto thine offspring be compassionate,
Direct them in the Law by day and night!
At freshest dawn the rule of life impart,
In earliest youth O teach them to be wise!
So save them from all pitfalls in the path,
And keep their souls from straying into ill!

Take care in writing to avoid mistakes,
Lest in the reading others laugh at thee;
Such error brings the scribe to shame, and adds
A blemish to his count, nay e'en a crime!
So still re-read thy scroll, with zeal revise,
Supply defective words or syllables;
For know, the style of tongue or pen full oft

וכבד בעבודה הקרובים.
ושיתמו לאחים ואהובים!
והוכיח וצוה אך ברכות.
ואל תלמוד ענות עזות והכות!
וטוב שתעבוד אותך באהבה.
ואל תעש בהכרח ואיבה!
ואל תלמד לקלל. כי קללה
גדולה היא ואיננה נקלה!
וחוסה על ילדיך וחמלה.
ותורה למדם יומם ולילה!
ומוסרם תשחר לבקרים.
והשכילים והורם מנעורים!
ושמרם מנתיב מכשול ותועה.
ואת נפשם שמור מבוא ברעה!
וזהר בכתבך משגיאה
לבל יבזו לך אם הקריאה.
ולבושת במקהלות מביאה
ותחשב לך מום וחטאה!
ושוב על ספרך אחר כתיבה.
לבלתי תחסר בו אות ותיבה!
ודע כי מדברי פי איש וספרו

Reveals the author's wit and inmost worth!
For style, they praise the writer from afar,
For style, behold him mocked and put to scorn!
By Wisdom man excels above the herd,
And prudence wins him favor from his peers!

O bind the testimony, seal the Law,
More precious they than gold or richest gem!
Thy masters serve, obey thy teacher's voice,
Rejoice my heart, let envy find good cause!
Let conduct be the end of all thou learnest,
By goodness joined to wisdom earn applause!
Restrain thyself beneath discretion's hand,
And, thus controlled, be thou from passion free!
Despise no critic, welcome chastisement;
Before thy comrades bow, and thereby rule!
Thyself abase, let others lift thee up,
And thus thy poverty will lose its lack!

Receive thy father's doctrine, keep my words,
Treasure my orders, guard them in thy soul!
For, thrice these counsels have I written out,

מעידים על צפון שכלו וסתרו!
ובכתבו יהולל איש לרחוק.
ובכתבו יהי לבו ולשחוק:
ובחכמה יהי יתר שאתו.
ובתבונה יכובד בעדתו:

אתום תורה בני ונצור תעודה.
אשר מפז ומזהב חמודה!
ומוריך עבוד ומלמריך.
תשמח אב ותקניא חומריך!
ולשמור לעשות הכון ולמדה.
תהי נכבד בכל קהל ועדה!
היה נעצר ביד שכלך ונמסר.
ומכל תאוותיך תהי סר!
ואל תקוץ בתוכחת ומוסר.
והכנע לרעך תהי שר!
והתנשא בהתנבל כטפסר.
וימעט רישך בזה ויחסר!

ומוסר אב קחה ושמור אמרי.
ומצותי צפון ונצור דברי!
ושלישים כתבתים לך וחכמות

Esteem thou them as pearls and corals rare!
Practise these rules, and more to them I'll add
For thine instruction if my life endure!

Behold a small cloud rising from the sea of science and learning, carried by the breeze of wisdom and understanding! If the cloud empty itself on a fertile soil, causing righteousness and faith to spring up, making pleasant knowledge to flourish,—ripeness will come in due season, and the roots of wisdom will be made firm; the branches will bloom, its food will be for nourishment, its leaves for healing! The loving-kindness of the Lord will guard it, will water it every moment, and shield it from all mishap. May He who gives prudence to the simple and to young men knowledge and discretion, bestow on thee a willing heart and a listening ear! Then shall our soul be glad in the Lord and rejoice in His salvation!

שמח בהם כעל גביש וראמות!⁶⁸
 עשה בהם ועוד אוסיף עליהם
 לך אם אחיה כהם וכהם!

הנה עב קטנה עולה מים השכל והתבונה. ברוח
 חכמה ובינה. ואם תריק על ארץ שמינה. להצמיח
 מוצא הצדק והאמונה. ולהפריח כנת הדעת
 הנעמנה. תבכר לחדשיה. ותשרש שרשיה. ותהי
 פוריה וענפה. והיה פריה למאכל ועליה לתרופה.
 וחסד יוצרה יצרנה. ולרגעים ישקנה. ומכל רע
 ישמרנה. ונותן לפתאים ערמה. לנער דעת ומזמה.
 יתן לך לב שומע ואוזן שומעת. ונפשינו תגיל בה'
 תשיש בישועתך!

⁶⁸ MS. ורמות.

אגרת מוסר ששלח הרמב"ן ז"ל לבנו

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In 1267 Moses, son of Nahman (Nahmanides), left Europe for Palestine. His departure was involuntary. He had, in 1263, been compelled to champion the Jewish cause in the public controversy held in Barcelona before the King of Aragon. The result of Nahmanides' outspokenness was his banishment.

Born c. 1195, he was thus seventy-two years of age at the moment of his migration. He survived the ordeal for three years. Nahmanides "represented Judaism from the side of emotion and feeling, as Maimonides did from the side of reason and logic " (S. Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*, first series, pp. 120 seq.). The same tenderness which marks his formal writings is revealed in his letters from Palestine. He suffered the keenest distress at his separation from family and home. Nor was the then condition of Palestine, which he pathetically depicts in one of his letters, able to console him. But he set himself to the direction of those whom he had been compelled to forsake, and wrote several letters with that object. In one of these (printed in the *J.Q.R.*, first series, v, 115) he communicated to his son Solomon counsels on various subjects, among them the duty of leading a chaste life amid the allurements of the Castilian court, where the son seems to have held a post. Solomon was his second son, the grandfather of Gersonides (see table in *J.E.*, ix, 87).

אגרת מוסר ששלח הרמב"ן ז"ל לבנו

בשנת כ"ז לאלף החמישי הוכרח רבי משה בן נחמן לעזוב את אירופא ולהשתקע בארץ ישראל. רק ארבע שנים עברו אז למן היום אשר הנין על כבוד ישראל בוכוח פומבי שהיה בברצלונה במעמד מלך אראגוניה, אבל הוא נתפש בדבורו החפשי ובעטים של מתנגדיו נדן לגלות.

שנת לידתו היתה תתקנ"ד לאלף הרביעי, ובכן היה בן שבעים ושתים בשעת גלותו. אחרי הנסיון המר הזה הוסיף לחיות עוד שלש שנים. הרמב"ן הוא, באיכח היהדות מצד הלב והרגש כמו שהרמב"ם הוא באיכח היהדות מצד השכל וההגיון (שלמה שכטר, *Studies in Judaism*, כרך ראשון, דף ק"כ וכו'). אותה הרכות המצינת את ספריו וחבוריו נראית גם באגרותיו מארץ ישראל. הפרידה מביתו ומשפחתו הסבה לו עינוים רבים ויסורים קשים, ובשום אופן לא יכול למצוא נוחם וספוק בתנאי ארץ ישראל בימים ההם, תנאים שהוא מתאר בהשתפכות הנפש באחת מאגרותיו. אכן הוא התמכר בכל לבו ונפשו להדרכת צאצאיו הנעזבים לנפשם, ויכתוב אגרות אחדות למטרה זו. באחת מאלה (נרפסה ברבעון היהודי האנגלי, סדר ראשון, כרך חמישי, דף קט"ו) יעץ לבנו שלמה עצות שונות, ביניהן החובה לחיות חיים טהורים וצנועים בתוך הפריצות של חצר המלכות הקסטילית, אשר כנראה היתה לבנו איזו משרה שם. שלמה היה בנו השני, אבי אביו של רבי לוי בן גרשון או רלב"ג (ראה הטבלה באנציקלופריה היהודית האנאלית, כרך תשיעי, דף פ"ז).

The most famous of his letters was addressed to his elder son Nahman. This letter is included in many editions of the Prayer book. Straight from his triumph at Barcelona, when his fame was ringing from end to end of the Jewish world, Nahmanides eulogizes Humility as the source of Reverence and as the condition of receiving the divine spirit.

The text is printed from the *תפוחי זהב* of Yehiel Milli, Mantua, 1623. Various other editions have been collated. In translating the biblical texts it was sometimes necessary to depart from the usual renderings, in order to bring out Nahmanides' application of the passages quoted. Another text with interesting expansions, is printed in B. Halper's *Anthology of Post Biblical Hebrew Literature*, Philadelphia, 1921. See vol. i, p. 133 and p. 253; vol. ii, p. 175. These two volumes were issued under the auspices of the Jewish Publication Society of America.

Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother!¹ Accustom thyself to speak in gentleness to all men, at all times. Thus wilt thou be saved from anger, the fertile cause of sin. As our Sages say²: "Over the man of wrath rules every manner of Gehinnom, and it is written³: Remove anger from thy heart, and [thus] put away evil from thy flesh.

¹ Prov. 1.8. Some versions omit "the teaching of thy mother." But Nahmanides' wife certainly was alive when the writer was compelled to leave Spain for Palestine.

² T. B. Nedarim 22a. See other quotations in support of this moralization of Gehinnom in *J. E.* v, 584.

³ Eccles. 12.10.

האגרת היותר מפורסמת של הרמב"ן נכתבה לבנו בכורו נחמן, והיא נמצאת במהדורות רבות של סדר התפלה. נפלא הוא שמיד אחרי נצחוננו בברצלונה, כששמו הלך מסוף העולם היהודי עד סופו, הלל ושבח הרמב"ן את הענוה בתור יסוד ליראת הרוממות ובתור תנאי להשראת רוח הקדש.

הנוסח הנרפס פה הוא מן הספר „תפוחי זהב“ לר' יחיאל מילי, מנטובה שפ"ג, אף כי השוייתי גם מהדורות שונות אחרות. בהעתקת הפסוקים מן התנ"ך יש אשר חשבתי לנחוץ לשנות מן התרגומים המצויים בכדי להטעים את שמוש הרמב"ן בפסוקים האלה. נוסח אחר עם הוספות חשובות נרפס ע"י בךציון הלפר ב„אנתולוגיה של הספרות העברית שאחרי התנ"ך“, פילדלפיה תרפ"א, ראה כרך א' דף קל"נ ורנ"ג, גם כרך ב', דף קע"ה. שני הכרכים האלה יצאו לאור ע"י החברה היהודית להוצאת ספרים באמריקה.

שמע בני מוסר אביך ואל תטוש תורת אבך.¹
והתנהג תמיד לדבר בנחת כל דברך לכל אדם
בכל עת! ובזה תנצל מן הכעס, שהיא המדה הרעה
להחטיא את האדם: וכן אמרו חז"ל, כל הכועס
כל מיני גיהנם שולטים בו. שנאמר, והסר כעס

¹ Some versions complete the quotation. M., however, omits the last two words.

Evil here (in the passage of Ecclesiastes) is nothing else but Gehinnom, as when it is said (in Proverbs): 'And the wicked for the day of evil.'"⁴

Being delivered from anger, there will arise in thy heart the quality of humility, better than all things good! For "the reward of humility is the fear of the Lord."⁵ Reverence is thus the fruit of humility. For humility it is that must impel thee to lay to thine heart always the memory of whence thou camest and whither thou goest;⁶ it is humility that reminds thee that in life thou art but a worm, and the more so in death; it is humility that warns thee that the One before whom thou must be judged and called to account is the King of Glory. "Behold heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him"⁷—how much less the hearts of the children of men! "Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the Lord."⁸ Pondering over all these things, [the exaltation of God, the lowliness of man], thou wilt stand in awe of thy Creator, and be on thy guard against sin. Endowed with these qualities, thou canst but rejoice at whatever lot befall thee. If thou indeed takest humility for thy rule in life, holding thyself modestly before the world, a God-fearer and a sin-fearer,—then will there rest upon thee the spirit of the Shekinah⁹ and the radiance of the divine Glory, and thou wilt live the life of the world to come!¹⁰

⁴ Prov. 16.4. On Nahmanides' conception of the soul, see S. Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*, first series, p. 140.

⁵ Prov. 22.4. ⁶ Mishnah Abot 3.1.

⁷ I Kings 8.27. ⁸ Jer. 23.24.

מלבך והעבר רעה מבשרך. ואין רעה אלא גיהנם.
שנאמר, וגם רשע ליום רעה:

וכאשר תנצל מן הכעס, תעלה על לבך מדת
הענוה, הטובה מכל הטוב! שנאמר, עקב ענוה יראת
ה'. ובעבור הענוה תעלה על לבך מדת היראה,
כי תתן אל לבך תמיד מאין באת ולאן אתה הולך.
ושאתה רמה ותולעת בחייך, אף כי במותך. ולפני
מי אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון, לפני מלך הכבוד.
שנאמר, הנה השמים ושמי השמים לא יכלכלוך
אף כי לבות בני אדם. ואמר, הלא את השמים ואת
הארץ אני מלא נאם ה': וכאשר תחשוב את כל
אלה, תירא מבוראך, ותשמר מן החטא. ובמדות
האלה תהיה שמח בחלקך המגיעך: וכאשר תתנהג
במדת הענוה, להתבושש מכל אדם, ותתפחד² ממנו
ומן החטא, אז תשרה עליך רוח השכינה וזיו כבודו³
וחיית חיי העולם הבא!

² M. ומדתפחד. ³ So M. Another reading: כבודה. Also מ"י for the next two words.

⁹ i. e. the "Divine Presence". See Abelson (op. cit. next note) ch. iv.

¹⁰ For Nahmanides' views on the future life see his *Gate of Requital* at the end of his treatise the *Law of Man*. As to the "radiance" (*ziv*), he conceived it almost as a

And now, my son! Understand clearly that he who prides himself in his heart over other men is a rebel against the Kingship of Heaven. Such a one presumes to adorn himself in the robe of the Omnipresent. For it is God, enthroned, who wears the mantle of majesty.¹¹ And wherefore shall the heart of man be puffed up? Is it because of wealth? It is God who maketh poor and maketh rich.¹² Or is it because of honor? But honor is of God.¹³ And how shall a man boast in an honor which is his Maker's? Does he glorify himself because of his wisdom? Lo, God "removeth the speech of men of trust and taketh away the sense of the elders."¹⁴ In a word, all are equal before the Lord. For in His anger He bringeth down the high and in His good pleasure He elevates the low. Therefore debase thyself and let the Omnipresent raise thee up!¹⁵

Accordingly I will explain how thou must habituate thyself to the quality of humility in thy daily practice. Let thy voice be low, and thy head bowed; let thine eyes be turned earthwards and thy heart heavenwards. Gaze not in the face of him whom thou dost address. Every man should seem in thine eyes as one greater than thyself. If he be wise or wealthy, it is thy duty to show him respect. If he be poor and thou the richer, or if thou be wiser than he, be-think thee in thy heart, that thou art the more mystical union of the soul of man with the soul of God. Cf. J. Abelson, *The Immanence of God in Rabbinic Literature*, p. 87. See also my *Glory of God*, p. 44f.

¹¹ Ps. 93.1. The word נָאוֹת means both pride and majesty.

ועתה בני! דע וראה כי המתגאה בלבוי על
 הבריות הוא מורד במלכות שמים. כי מתפאר
 הוא בלבוש המקום. שנאמר, ה' מלך גאות לבש.
 ולמה יתגאה לב האדם? אם בעושר, ה' מוריש
 ומעשיר. ואם בכבוד, הלא לאלהים הוא. שנאמר,
 והעושר והכבוד מלפניך. ואיך יתפאר בכבוד
 קונו? ואם יתפאר בחכמה, מסיר שפה לנאמנים
 וטעם זקנים יקח: נמצא הכל שוה לפני המקום.
 כי באפו משפיל גאים וברצונו מגביה שפלים. לכן
 השפל עצמך וינשאך המקום!

על כן אפרש איך תתנהג במדת הענוה, ללכת
 בה תמיד: כל דבריך יהיו בנחת. וראשך יהיה
 כפוף. ועיניך יביטו למטה לארץ, ולבך למעלה.
 ואל תבט בפני אדם בדברך עמו: וכל אדם יהיה
 גדול ממך בעיניך. אם הוא חכם אם הוא עשיר⁴
 עליך לכבדו. ואם הוא רש ואתה עשיר ממנו, או
 שאתה חכם ממנו, חשוב בלבבך כי אתה חייב

⁴ M. לבו. ⁵ M. עשיר וחכם.

¹² I Sam. 2.7.

¹³ I Chron. 29.12.

¹⁴ Job 12.20.

¹⁵ T. B. 'Erubin 13b.

guilty, he is the more innocent. If he sin, it is from error; if thou sin, it is with design!¹⁶

In all thy doings, words, and thoughts, and at all times, regard thyself as one standing before the Omnipresent¹⁷, with His Shekinah upon thee, for the glory of the Lord filleth the universe. Let thy words be spoken in the deepest reverence as though a servant addressed his master. Hold thyself abashed before all men, and if one call thee do not answer noisily, but respond without agitation and in lowered tones, as an inferior would use to his superior.

Read in the Torah regularly, so that thou mayest be able to fulfil its precepts. When thou risest from the book, think closely over what thou hast learned, perchance there may be some thing in it for thee to translate into conduct. Examine thine actions at morn and at eve, and by this means all thy days will be passed in repentance.

And when thou prayest, remove all worldly considerations from thy heart. Set thy heart right before God, cleanse thine inmost thoughts and meditate before uttering thy devotions. Act thus all thy days, in all things, and thou wilt not sin. By this course thy deeds will all be upright, and thy prayer pure and clean, innocent and devout, and acceptable before the Lord. As it is written: "Thou, God, wilt direct their heart, Thou wilt cause Thine ear to attend."¹⁸

¹⁶ For rabbinic parallels see Derek Erez *passim*.

¹⁷ On the application to God of the term Maḳom (lit. Place, here rendered Omnipresent), see *J. E.*, iii, 460.

¹⁸ The first clause of the verse (Ps. 10.17) runs: "Lord,

ממנו והוא זכאי ממך. שאם הוא חוטא הוא שונג
ואתה מזיד:

ובכל מעשיך ודבריך ומחשבותיך, ובכל עת,
תחשוב כאלו אתה עומד לפני המקום ושכינתו
עליך. כי כבודו מלא העולם: ודבריך יהיו באימה
וביראה, כעבד לפני רבו: והתבייש מכל אדם
ואדם. ואם יקראך איש לא תעננו בקול רם, רק
בנחת ובקול נמוך, כעומד לפני גדול:

והוי זהיר לקרותי בתורה תמיד אשר תוכל
לקיימה. וכאשר תקום מן הספר חפש באשר למדת
אם יש בו דבר שתוכל לקיימו: ופשפש במעשיך
בבקר ובערב. ובזה יהיו כל ימיך בתשובה:
והסר כל דברי העולם⁶ מלבבך בעת התפלה.
והכן לבך לפני המקום. וטהר רעיונך⁷. וחשוב
הדבר קודם שתוציאנו מפיד: וכן תעשה כל ימי
חיך בכל דבר ודבר ולא תחטא. ובזה יהיו כל
מעשיך ישרים. ותפלתך זכה וברה ונקייה ומכוונת
ומקובלת לפני המקום. שנאמר, תכין לבם תקשיב
אזנך:

⁶ So corrected from usual reading רבו.

⁷ M. omits, and transposes next two words.

⁸ M. כל דבר מלבבך. ⁹ M. omits this phrase.

Read this Letter once a week, and be as regular in carrying out¹⁹ its injunctions, by its aid walking forever after the Lord, blessed be He; that thou mayest prosper in all thy ways, and be held worthy of all the good which is treasured up for the righteous!

Thou hast heard the desire of the humble." The verse is applied also by Samuel b. Naḥman (T. J. Berakot end) to enforce the moral that only the prayer of a devout heart avails.

¹⁹ Or: "once a week at least; so as to carry out, etc."

תקרא האגרת הזאת פעם אחת בשבוע לא
 תפחות לקיימה וללכת בה תמיד אחרי השם יתברך
 למען תצליח בכל דרכיך. ותזכה לכל הטוב¹⁰
 הצפון לצדיקים!¹¹

¹⁰ Sometimes it would seem that לעולם הבא, the usual reading here, is an inaccurate expansion of the abbreviation ל'ה which might be הטוב.

¹¹ Another version (see היקב 1894, p. 39) adds: וביום שתקראנה יענוך מן השמים אשר יעלה על לבך לשאול עד העולם שנא' ויתן לך משאלות לבך ויתן מעדנים לנפשך.

שערי המוסר (המיוחס להרמב"ם)

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There are two Testaments attributed to Maimonides (1135-1204). One of them, that most usually described as Maimonides' Testament, occurs in many libraries in manuscript, and has often been printed, since the first edition appeared in Venice in 1544. It is of polemical rather than of ethical interest, for it culminates in an ungracious, not to say abusive, denunciation of the French school of Jewish scholars. It is true that in other letters ascribed to Maimonides a similar tone is sometimes heard. Here and there, too, there are touches worthy of Maimonides, as this: "The perfect rest of the Sabbath is the attuning of the heart to the comprehension of God." Then, again, there is a circumstantial statement in a Bodleian MS. (Cat. Neubauer No. 2386) to the following effect. The Testament was written in Arabic on two leaves by Maimonides; the said leaves were detached from the book containing them, soon after the philosopher's death; and the Testament was thereupon translated into Hebrew. There is no probability in the story. The most that can be urged for the document is that it may contain some authentic points (Steinschneider, *Hebr. Ueber.* p. 931). But on the whole it seemed best to omit the document from the present collection.

But what *has* been included has no better claim to authenticity. It is however a far finer work, and deserves inclusion on its own merits. It was printed by Steinschneider

שערי המוסר (המיוחס להרמב"ם)

יש שתי צואות המיוחסות לרבי משה בן מיימון (תתצ"ה-תתקס"ד לאלף החמישי). האחת, הנודעת עפ"י רוב כצואת הרמב"ם, נמצאת בכתב יד בבתי-עקדיספרים רבים ונדפסה פעמים רבות למיום הופעתה הראשונה בויניציה בשנת ש"ד. הצואה הזאת יש לה חשיבות פולמית יותר ממוסרית, יען כי כל עיקרה לא בא אלא להלשין באופן גס ומעליב על חכמי ישראל בצרפת. אמנם הד קול כזה נשמע לפעמים גם באגרות אחרות המיוחסות להרמב"ם. בכלל נמצאים בה פה ושם קוים ושרטוטים הראוים להנשר הגדול הזה, כמו הרעיון שהמנוחה השלמה והאמתית ביום השבת מסייעה לתקן ולשכלל את הלב להשגת הבורא יתברך. מלבד זאת יש ידיעה מפורטת בכ"י בודליאני (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 2386) שהצואה הזאת נכתבה ע"י הרמב"ם בערבית על שני עלים ותיכף אחרי מותו נפרדו העלים האלה מן הספר שבו היו נתונים ונעתקו לעברית. אבל אי אפשר לתת אמון בידיעה הזאת. לכל היותר אפשר להניח שהצואה הזאת יש לה איזה קוים מקוריים (שטיינשניידר, העברעאישע איבערזעטצונגען, דף תתקל"א), אבל בשלמותה חשבתי לטוב ונכון להשמיטה מן הכרך שלפנינו.

והנה צואת הרמב"ם שנתתי פה איננה בחזקת מקוריות יותר גדולה, אבל לכל הפחות היא חבור יותר יפה ומעולה מן הראשונה, וראויה היא למקום פה בשביל מעלותיה העצמיות. שטיינשניידר ועדעלמאן הדפיסו אותה בספריהם המכילים את

and Edelman in the same volumes which contain Ibn Tibbon's Testament (See p. 53). In the Bodleian MS. from which Steinschneider derived it, it is an introduction to the Testament mentioned above, and claims to be by Maimonides (מוסר נאה מאד מאד מהרמב"ם ז"ל להרב (החכם ר' אברהם בנו ז"ל)). In 1852 Steinschneider was rather inclined to accept this ascription, but he afterwards withdrew his opinion (*Hamazkir*, ii, 8, iv, 107). For it turned out that the same text had been published anonymously under the title 'ס' המוסר in Cracow, in 1586. Moreover L. Dukes discovered a MS. of the text in the British Museum, entitled שערי המוסר אל השלם אשר איש רומי. This MS. is written on the margin of fol. 137b, seq. of Harleian MS. 5686. In the present writer's opinion, though the MS. is a fifteenth century copy, it points to an older original. In several places the copyist must have had an old and faded MS. before him, as he frequently was unable to read his original. It seems most probable that the text is a product of the early part of the thirteenth century. It was thus written soon after Maimonides' death, and is therefore placed in the position it occupies in the chronological sequence of this volume. In order, however, to indicate that the text is later than Maimonides, it is placed *after* the letter by Nahmanides, which it would precede, if it were really by Maimonides himself. The writer adopts several of the most prominent Maimonist views: Free-will, the doctrine of the Mean, and so forth. That the text is not by Maimonides is indicated unmistakably by the fact that the writer addresses his *children* in the plural. We know of only one child, Abraham, who carried on the reputation of Maimonides into the next generation. It is clear that the writer of this text was, like Maimonides himself, a physician.

הצוואה של אבן תבון (ראה דף 53). בכ"י הבודליאני אשר ממנו דלה שטיינשניידר את הצוואות הרי היא כעין הקדמה אל הצוואה הנזכרת לעיל והרמב"ם נזכר בפירוש בתור מחברה (מוסר נאה מאד מאד מהרמב"ם ז"ל להרב החכם ר' אברהם בנו ז"ל). בשנת תרי"ב נטה שטיינשניידר להאמין שהרמב"ם הוא מחברה, אבל אח"כ חזר על דעתו זו (המזכיר, כרך שני, דף ח'; כרך רביעי, דף ק"ז), יען כי נודע הדבר שאותו הנוסח עצמו נדפס בהעלם שם המחבר בקראקוי בשנת שמ"ז תחת השם, ס' המוסר". מלבד זאת גלה יהודה ליב דוקעס כ"י ממנו במחיאום הבריטי בלונדון תחת השם, שערי המוסר אל השלם השר איש רומי". כתוב בשולי העמודים קל"ז: וכו' של כת"י הארלעס נומר 5686. לפי דעתי, אף כי הכ"י הוא מן המאה החמש עשרה בכ"ז נראה שמקורו הוא יותר עתיק. במקומות אחרים אפשר לראות שהמעתיק העתיק מכ"י בלוי מזוקן, כי לפעמים קרובות לא עלה בידו לקרוא את מקורו כראוי. אפשר מאד שהחבור הזה נכתב בתחלת המאה השלש עשרה, קרוב לפטירת הרמב"ם, וע"כ קבענו לו מקום פה בהתאם אל הסדר הכרונולוגי של הכרך הזה. אכן בכדי להראות שנוסח הצוואה הוא מאוחר מן הרמב"ם הצגנו אותו אחר האגרת של הרמב"ן, כי להפך אם היה מעשה ידי הרמב"ם עצמו כי אז צריכים היינו להקדימו. כנראה קבל המחבר מן הרמב"ם איזה מדעותיו היותר חשובות: רצון חפשי, הכלל של שביל הזהב וכו'. הוכחה נמורה שהאגרת הזאת לא נכתבה ע"י הרמב"ם היא העובדה שהמחבר פונה אל בניו בלשון רבים. אנחנו יודעים רק ע"ד בן אחד של הרמב"ם, אברהם, אשר התעטר בשם אביו. אין כל ספק שמחבר האגרת הזאת, כמו הרמב"ם עצמו, היה רופא.

In the notes to the Hebrew text, S. indicates Steinschneider's readings, B. those of the British Museum MS. This MS. has, for the first time, been collated with the Oxford version.

I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel, and hath led me in the right way.¹ I will make mention of His mercies, according to all that He hath bestowed upon me.² He hath chastened me sore, but hath not given me over unto death.³ He held me by my right hand, and in the shadow of His hand He hid me.⁴ From the burdens of fortune's wheel He delivered me, and saved me from life's vicissitudes. In the melting pot of time He tried me, and from the blackness of youth He made me white.⁵ From its perverseness He kept me aloof, and from the conflict of passion He hath given me rest. He rebuked the serpent which enticed me, and gave me to taste the sweet⁶. From the dust He raised me, and with princes He hath made me sit.⁷ My days have taught me, experience hath made me wise, time hath been my reproof. Thus far hath the Lord blessed and preserved me,⁸ granting unto me wisdom beyond my fellows, and enabling me to distinguish between good and evil. My end is in His hand, and He hath made me conscious of it, though I know not how long, nor how short-lived am I!⁹ Therefore hath His love stirred me to admonish the children whom He hath graciously bestowed on me, that they may observe the way of the Lord. I would teach them what He hath taught me, bequeath

בהערותי לנוסח העברי S משמש למהדרות שטיינשניידר, B לכ"י הנמצא במחזאום הבריטי. השויתי את הכ"י הזה בפעם הראשונה לכ"י אוקספורד.

אברך את ה' אשר יעצני. ובדרך אמת הנחני.
חסדיו אזכיר כעל כל אשר גמלני. יסר יסרני.
ולמות לא נתנני. בימיני אחזני. ובצל ידו החביאני.
מסבלות הגלגל הוציאני. ומתהפוכותיו הצילני.
בכור הזמן צרפני. ומשחרות הילדות הלבניני.
וממשובותיו הבדילני. וממלחמת² יצרי השקיטני.
ויגער בנחש השיאני. ומתוק³ הטעימני. ומעפר
הקימני. ועם נדיבים הושיבני. הימים הורוני. והנסיון
השכילני. והזמן הוכיחני. ועד כה ברכני. והחייני.
מזולתי הבינני. ובין טוב לרע הבחינני. אשר בידו
קצי הודיעני. ולא אדע מתי ומה חדל אני. ולכן
אהבתו הערתני.⁴ לצוות את הילדים אשר חנני.

¹ S בימינו. ² ממלחמות S. ³ B מתוק.

⁴ S תעירני.

¹ Ps. 16.7; Gen. 24.48.

² Is. 63.7.

³ Ps. 118.18.

⁴ Ps. 73.23; Is. 49.2.

⁵ i. e. cleansed him from the faults of youth.

⁶ Add "of contentment".

⁷ I Sam. 2.8 ⁸ Jos. 17.4. ⁹ Ps. 39.5.

to them the heritage which He gave me, ere He call me away, and His Glory shall gather me in!¹⁰

Hear me, my children! Blessed be ye of the Lord, who made heaven and earth,¹¹ with blessing of heaven above, blessings of the deep that coucheth under, blessings of the breasts and of the womb!¹² Be strong and show yourselves men!¹³ Fear the Lord, the God of your father, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and serve Him with a perfect heart, from fear and from love. For fear restrains from sin, and love stimulates to virtue. Know that He will bring all to judgment, for what is open and for what is hidden, for good and for evil.¹⁴ He who leads a good life finds good even in this world; for they that see him glorify him, and those who know him declare him blessed. And when the tale of his years is full, and he departs from the children of men, he will rejoice in the worthiness of his work and will find comfort. No fear of death will distress him, for he will not be anxious concerning punishment; he will await the good reward, to see the bliss treasured up for them that fear the Lord, and his house will be established for ever. But if a man corrupt his way and pursue

¹⁰ To Himself, or as E. takes it "to my fathers". The text (Isa. 58.8) is applied to death in T. B. Soṭa 9b, (cf. also Kimḥi's comm. on Isaiah ad loc.). Besides the references given, there are in this introduction several other biblical reminiscences, which are not direct quotations, as the author sometimes paraphrases, sometimes alters for his rhymes, sometimes modifies by the introduction of

לשמור דרך ה'. ולהורותם מאשר הורני. ולהורישם
 אשר הורישני. בטרם יקראני. וכבודו יאספני:
 שמעוני בני! ברוכים אתם לה' עושה שמים וארץ.
 ברכות שמים מעל. ברכות תהום רובצת תחת.
 ברכות שדים ורחם. חזקו והיו לאנשים!⁵ יראו את
 ה' אלהי אביכם.⁶ אלהי אברהם יצחק ויעקב.
 ועבדוהו בלבב שלם מיראה ומאהבה.⁷ כי היראה
 מביאה הזהירות מן החטא. והאהבה מביאה
 הזריזות⁸ למצות: דעו כי הכל יביא במשפט. על
 גלוי ועל נעלם. על טוב ועל רע: המטיב פעלו
 יטיבו לו בעולם הזה. רואיו יפארוהו ויודעיו⁹
 יאשרוהו. ובהמלא מספר ימיו בהפרדו מבני אדם
 ישמח על כשרון פעלו ויתנחם ולא יכאב¹⁰ מאד
 למות כי לא ידאג לעונש. אבל יצפה לגמול טוב.
 לראות בטוב הצפון ליראי ה'. וביתו יהיה נכון
 עד עולם: והמשחית דרכו וירדוף הרע. הרע

⁵ B omits this clause. ⁶ אבותיכם B. ⁷ S omits מיראה.

⁸ S reads in both cases זריזות; B in both cases זריזות.

⁹ B omits this and previous word. ¹⁰ S ידאג.

post-biblical phraseology. But the result is a singularly fine specimen of the "mosaic" type of composition.

¹¹ Ps. 115. 15. ¹² Gen. 49. 25.

¹³ I Kings 2. 2. ¹⁴ Eccles. 12. 14.

evil, evil shall pursue and overtake him and in turn corrupt his conduct farther. They that see him will despise and condemn him in his life-time; and in his death "his flesh grieveth for him, and his soul mourneth over him."¹⁵ For "he departeth in darkness and with darkness is his name covered;"¹⁶ yea, "he shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand!"¹⁷

I entreat you to recognize the excellency of light over darkness. Reject ye death and evil, choose ye life and good, for the free choice is given unto you!¹⁸ Accustom yourselves to habitual goodness, for habit and character are closely interwoven, habit becoming as it were second nature. Again, the perfection of the body is an antecedent to the perfection of the soul, for health is the key that unlocks the inner chamber. When I bid you to care for your bodily and moral welfare, my purpose is to open for you the gates of heaven! Conduct yourselves with gravity and decency; avoid association with the wanton; sit not in the streets, sport not with the young, for the fruit thereof is evil. Be found rather in the company of the great¹⁹ and learned, but behave modestly in their presence, occupying the lower seats.²⁰ Incline your head, and open

¹⁵ Job 14. 22.

¹⁶ Eccles. 6. 4.

¹⁷ Job 8. 15. In the previous verse, the house of the wicked is likened to a spider's web for frailty. There are throughout this part of the Testament reminiscences of the *Choice of Pearls*.

ירדפהו וישיגהו וישחית מעשיו. רואיו יעקשו עליו פיהם. וילזווי שפתותיהם. ובמותו בשרו עליו יכאב. ונפשו עליו תאבל. כי בחשך ילך¹² ובחושך שמו יכוסה. וישען על ביתו ולא יעמד:

אחלי לפניכם תכירו יתרון האור מן החושך. ומאסו במות וברע ובחרו בחיים ובטוב כי הרשות נתונה לכם.¹³ הנהיגו עצמכם במדות הטובות. כי טבע האדם תלוי במנהג. והמנהג יוקבע בטבע: רעו כי שלמות הגוף קודם לשלמות הנפש. והוא כמפתח הפותח טרקלין. ולכן עיקר כוונת מוסרי על שלמות גופכם ותיקון מדותיכם לפתוח לפניכם דלתות השמים: התנהגו בכבודות ובכבודות. חדלו לכם מחברת הקלים. ומישיבת הרחובות. ומשחוק הבחורים. כי משם יצא פרי רע: המצאו תמיד בין כבירים וחכמים.¹⁴ אך בענוה ובהכנעה ובשפל המקומות. והטו אזני¹⁵ ראשיכם ופתחו אזני לבבכם

לפניכם B¹³. הולך B¹². ויליון B¹¹.

S omits.¹⁵ בין נכבדים B¹⁴.

¹³ Eccles. 2. 13; Deut. 30. 19; Mishnah Abot iii, 15. Cf. *J. E.* v, 505.

¹⁹ Job 15. 10.

²⁰ In olden times the disciple sat on the ground (cf. Abot i.4, T. B. Megillah 21a). Cf. also Matthew 23. 6.

the ears of your heart to listen and to understand their words, and what they praise and blame; weigh²¹ their opinions and thus will ye be set in the right way. Guard your tongue from wearying them, measure your words with judgment, for the more your words the more your errors. Be not supercilious or conceited when with them; be not ashamed to ask explanations, but do so at the right moment and in fitting terms. Ponder well over every word before you utter it, for you cannot recall it afterwards.

Love wisdom, seek her as silver, search for her as for hidden treasures.²² Be found on the threshold of the wise, those that learn and those that teach. There obtain your recreation; there take delight in hearing discourse of science and morals, as well as the new thoughts and ingenious arguments of the students. Emulate those who seek knowledge, despise those who have no intellectual curiosity. Whether you ask a question or answer one, speak without haste or obscurity, softly and without stammering.²³ Use refined phrases, let your utterance be clear, tranquil, and apt to the point. Behave as one who wishes to learn and to discover the truth, not as one whose aim is to dispute and win a wordy victory. Attend there in a receptive frame of mind, determined to profit by your attendance; then will study be pleasant

²¹ Or, following a different punctuation, "weigh what they praise and blame."

²² Prov. 2.4.

²³ Is. 28.11.

לשמוע ולהבין¹⁷ דבריהם ומה יגנו ומה ישבחו.
 ושקלו¹⁸ הענינים קצתם על קצתם. ואז תשכילו:
 שמרו פיהם ולשונכם מהעתיר דברים לפניהם.
 כלכלו דבריכם במשפט. כי בהרבות דבריכם
 ירבו טעייתכם¹⁸. ואל תתהדרו ותתגאו לפניהם.
 ואל תבושו לשאול הנעלם מכם. אך בעת ראוי¹⁹
 ובלשון ראוי. חשבו ושקלו הדבר טרם תוציאוהו
 מפיכם כי לא תוכלו להשיבו:

אהבו החכמה. בקשו ככסף. וכמטמונים
 חפשו²⁰. הסתופפו בבתי החכמים. הלומדים²¹
 והמלמדים. שם יהיה טיולכם. והתענגו שם בשמוע
 החכמות והמוסרים והחדושים ופלפולי התלמידים.
 קנאו ליודעים²² ובזו בלבבכם הגולמים: כאשר
 תשאלו או תענו דבר. אל תמהרו ואל תבהלו ואל
 תצעקו ואל תדברו בלעגי שפה. דברו במבחר
 הלשון. בצחות²³ השפה. בקול נחת.²⁴ בכיוון
 הענינים. כמבקש ללמוד ומחפש האמת. לא כמריב
 ומבקש לנצוח: עמדו שם ברצון²⁵. והתבוננו להוציא
 משם תועלת ואז ינעם לכם ויקל עליכם. ואם

17 S שקלו, putting stop at דבריהם. ולהאזין S 16.

18 S טענותיכם. 19 B adds ובחכמה. 20 S. חפשו.

21 B omits. 22 B לתלמידים. 23 B בכבוד.

24 B omits phrase. 25 S ברצונכם.

and facile. But if you allow your heart to wander hither and thither, you will fail in the main purpose of your attendance, for you will learn nothing, and the heavy confinement will wear out your body. When ye leave the college, realize what you are taking home; grave it on your brain, bind it to your heart! Learn in your youth, when ye eat what others provide; while your mind is still free, and unencumbered with cares; ere the memory lose its vigor. For the time will come when ye will wish to learn but will be unable. And, even if ye do not entirely fail, ye will labor much to little effect; for your mind will lag behind your lips, and when it does keep pace, the memory will not hold fast what the mind attains.

Behold, my counsel is committed into your hand, you may profit much from the study of it to confirm truth,²⁴ to settle the mind, and to remove doubt. When you find in the Law or the Prophets, or the books of the Sages, a deep text or an obscure saying, which you cannot understand nor can penetrate into its secret; which appears subversive of the corner-stones of the Torah or altogether absurd; do not budge from your faith, let not your mind be confounded. Stand fast in your stronghold, and attribute the fault to yourselves, for it is not a vain thing, and if it be vain, it is because of your lack of understanding.²⁵ Place

²⁴ According to another reading: "faith".

²⁵ Maimonides, *Guide*, iii, ch. 26, cites this use of the text, Deut, 32. 47. "The giving of these commandments [whose object is not clear] is not a vain thing and without

תשלחו לבכם אנה ואנה תפסידו מן²⁶ הקרן
 במעמדכם.²⁷ כי לא תלמדו ויכבד עליכם המסגר²⁸
 המחלה הגוף: ובצאתכם דעו מה תוליכו לבתיכם.
 חקוהו במוחכם. וצוררוהו בלבבכם: למדו
 בבחרותכם באכלכם הכנת זולתכם. ובעוד לבכם
 פנוי טרם ימלא מחשבות וכח המזכיר יחלש. כי
 יבוא עת שתרצו ולא תוכלו. ואפילו מה שתוכלו
 תתיגעו עם מעט תועלת. כי לא ירדוף הלב את
 הפה. ואפילו במה שירדפהו לא יחזיקהו כי
 ישכחהו:

הנה מוסרי בידכם מסור.²⁹ יש בו תועלת רב
 בלמוד לחזקת האמונה.³⁰ ולישב בדעת ולהסיר
 המבוכה: כאשר תמצאו כתוב עמוק ומאמר נבון
 בתורה או בנביאים או בספרי חכמים. אשר לא
 תבינוהו ולא תדעו מסתרו. ונראה כסותר פנות
 התורה או דברי הבאי. אל תזונו מאמונתכם. ואל
 יתבלבל שכלכם. עמדו בחזקתכם. והפחיתות ההוא
 חשבוהו בכם. כי לא דבר רק הוא כי אם³¹ מכם.

²⁶ S omits.

²⁷ S בעמדכם. ²⁸ B כמסגר.

²⁹ B הגני מוסר בידכם מסורת. ³⁰ S לחזק האמת.

³¹ S omits כי אם.

it "in a corner"²⁶ and do not abominate the whole of your faith because you are incompetent to solve a single problem of philosophy. "God understandeth the way thereof, and knoweth its place."²⁷

Love truth and righteousness, and cleave to them. Prosperity so obtained is built on a sure rock. Hate falsehood and injustice, lust not after their dainties, for such happiness is built on sand.²⁸ To one who so acts apply the Scriptural words: "Say unto them that daub a wall with whited plaster, that it shall fall."²⁹

Therefore, let truth and righteousness, by which ye may seem to lose, be more lovely in your sight than falsehood and unrighteousness, by which ye may seem to gain. For thus said the Wise Man in his admonition: "Buy the truth, and sell it not."³⁰ Know that truth and righteousness are adornments of the soul and givers of strength and durability to the body. I have found no remedy for weakness of heart³¹ comparable to an infusion of truth and righteousness. Nor could the company of friends, the deep shelter of Ash-teroth Karnayim, javelin or coat of mail, give me the same sense of security as the helmet of truth and the shield of righteousness!³²

useful purpose, and if it appears so to you in any commandment, it is owing to the deficiency in your comprehension."

²⁶ A talmudic phrase, T. B. Kiddushin 66a. Here the sense is: "set it apart for further thought."

²⁷ Job 28.23.

²⁸ Cf. Abot de R. Nathan I, xxiv. See particularly Matt. 7. 24-7. Cf. I. Abrahams, *Studies in Pharisaism*,

הניחוהו בקרן זוית. ואל תשקצו כל אמונתכם על חסרון הבנת דבר חכמה.³² אלהים הבין דרכה והוא ידע את מקומה:

אהבו האמת והצדק ובהם תדבקון. כי תצליחו בהם ותקיים³³ ההצלחה ההיא כבונה על צור החלמיש: שנאו השקר והעול. ואל תתאו למטעמיהם. כי הוא כבונה³⁴ על החול. וקראו עליהם, אמור אל טחי תפל³⁵ ויפול!

לכן ינעם לכם האמת והצדק שנראה שתפסידו בהם יותר מן השקר והעול שנראה שתרויחו בהם.³⁶ וכן אמר החכם במוסרו. אמת קנה ואל תמכור: דעו כי האמת והצדק הם תכשיטי הנפש. ונותנים גבורה ובטח ונצח לגוף. ולא מצאתי רפואה לרכות הלבב כהרכבת האמת והצדק. ולא הבטיחוני אחוזת מרעים ועשתרות קרנים ושלח ושריון ככובע האמת ומגן הצדק:³⁷

³² B הדבר ההוא או חכמה אחת.

³³ S omits. ³⁴ B נבנה. ³⁵ S טחי. ³⁶ S in both cases בו. ³⁷ B is here defective.

p. 92. ²⁹ Ezek. 13.11. ³⁰ Prov. 23.23.

³¹ Prob. in the sense of "timidity"; cf. Deut. 20.8.

³² Gen. 26.26 (as interpreted by the Targum). Ashteroth Karnayim, situated E. of the Jordan, in a deep

So shall it come to pass in the day when I bequeath unto you the possessions which the Creator has preciousy bestowed on me, I will hand on to you the honesty of purpose by which God has enabled me to possess this store, for with my staff I crossed over to gain my daily bread and its drink offering, and lo! the Lord has blessed me thus far. Faithfulness has introduced me into places where my kinsmen could not admit me, and has dowered me with more than my fathers had to leave unto me. It has given me authority over men greater and better than I, and I have prospered myself and have been a source of profit to others. Therefore take heed therein, even toward one whose good the Law does not enjoin us to seek.³³ Stand by your words, let not a legal contract or witnessed deed be more binding than your verbal promise, whether publicly or privately given. Disdain reservations and subterfuges, tricks, sharp practices, and evasions. Woe to him that builds his house thereon! For if one getteth riches and not by right, "in the midst of his days he shall leave them and at his end he shall be a fool."³⁴ Live in sincerity, integrity, innocency! Touch not that which is not yours, be it a small matter or great. Taste not that which is not clearly and decisively your own. Flee from doubtful possessions, treat

dale between two hills, was a type of the completely sheltered spot (cf. T. B. Sukkah 2a).

³³ The Talmud has a beautiful term for those aspects of morality which are not susceptible of legal definition:

והיה ביום הנחילי אתכם את אשר חנני³⁸ הבורא.
 אנחילכם הנאמנות אשר בה הקני הבורא את החיל
 הזה. כי במקלי עברתי להרויח לחם התמיד ונסכו.
 והנה ברכני ה' עד כה. והנאמנות הכניסני במקום
 שלא הכניסוני קרובי. וירשתי מה שלא הורישוני
 אבותי. והמשילני על גדולים וטובים ממני. והצלחתי
 והועלתי לי ולזולתי: לכן הזהרו בו אפילו במה
 שלא הזהירה התורה אשר תדרוש שלומו. עמדו³⁹
 בדבוריכם. אל יכבד בעיניכם שטר ועדים וקנין
 על הבטחת הדבר גלוי ונסתר. בטלו ומאנו במודעי
 מרמות ומזמות ודקדוקים ועמוקים ועקשיות ותושיות
 ודתות תחתיות. הוי לבונה ביתו עליהם! כי בחצי
 ימיו יעזבנו ובאחריתו יהיה נבל: תחיו⁴⁰ בתמות
 ובתמימות ובנקיות. אל תגעו בשל זולתכם דבר קטן
 וגדול. ואל תטעמו מאומה ממה שאינה שלכם ברור
 ומוחזק. ברחו מן הספקות והעמידום בחזקת

³⁸ S הנחילני.

³⁹ B adds קיים.

⁴⁰ B תחיו.

they are described as "matters given over to man's heart"
 (Cf. e. g. T. B. Baba Mezi'a 58b.).

³⁴ Jer. 17.11. The terms used by the author in explanation refer literally to the commodities about which the duty of tithing is doubtful or certain.

them as the property of others. Remember that the tasting of the doubtful leads to indifference as to the certain; the little to the great, the inadvertent to the designed, till one becomes a hardened cheat, liar, thief and bandit, from whom men turn hastily away.³⁵ "The buyer from him will not rejoice, nor the seller mourn."³⁶ He shall be ashamed in his life and confounded in his death. All this have I seen and laid it to my heart. "He that conceives chaff shall bring forth stubble," but "he that sows according to righteousness shall reap according to mercy."³⁷ Let your moral life be your pride of lineage, and your loyalty to truth your sufficient wealth, for there is no pedigree noble³⁸ as virtue, no heritage equal to honor.

Bring near those who are far off, bow to the lowly, and show the light of your countenance to the downcast. Be pitiful to the poor and the sorrow-stricken. See to it that they share your joys! Help them in your feasts, according to the good hand of the Lord upon you. But beware lest they be put to the blush by reason of your gifts. Never cease to do good to all whom it is in your power to serve, and be on your guard against working ill to any man whatsoever.

Contemn idleness and loath ease, for these corrupt the body, and lead to all manner of penury

³⁵ Or "and bandit. Turn ye hastily away from such a one."

³⁶ Ezek. 7.12.

³⁷ Isa. 33.11; Hos. 10.12. The quotations are

זולתכם: דעו כי טעימת⁴¹ הדמאי גורמת ליגע מן הודאי. והמעט להרבה והנסתר לנגלה. עד שיוחזק לעקש כפרן גנב וגולן יברחו⁴² מפניו. הקונה ממנו אל ישמח והמוכר אל יתאבל. יבוש בחייו ויכלם במותו. כל זה ראיתי ונתון אל לבי מי שיהר חשש ילד⁴³ קש והזורע לצדקה קוצר לפי חסד: התיחסו במוסרכם והסתפקו בנאמנותכם⁴⁴. כי אין יחס כמוסר ואין ירושה כנאמנות:

קרבו הרחוקים. השחו⁴⁵ לקטנים. האירו פניכם לשפלים. רחמו על האביונים והעלובים. שמחום בשמחתכם והפקידום⁴⁶ בחגיכם כיד ה' הטובה עליכם. והזהרו שלא יבושו ויחורו פניהם בסבת מתנותיכם. ואל תחדלו להטיב לכל אשר תוכלו והזהרו מהרע⁴⁷ למי שיהיה:

מאסו הבטלה וגעלו השלוה. כי הם סבות להשחתת הגוף. ולמחסור ולשעמום. ולפטפוט.

⁴¹ B נגיעת. ⁴² S ברחו.

⁴³ B תלד and תהר. ⁴⁴ B באמנותכם. ⁴⁵ B השחר.

⁴⁶ B ותפקידום. ⁴⁷ S omits מהרע.

slightly modified by the author to suit the structure of his sentence.

³⁸ Cf. the quotations in Ben Jehuda's *Millon*, 2025 a.

and perversity, in pocket and in conversation. They are the ladder to Satan and his servitors.³⁹ Such is the fruit of pernicious sloth, whereas "in all labour there is profit".⁴⁰

Make not your souls abominable by dissension, which wastes body and soul and substance. And what else remains? I have seen the white become black, the high of station brought low, families smitten sore, princes humiliated from their position, great cities ruined, assemblies dispersed, the pious destroyed, men of faith like to perish, and the honorable held in light esteem,—all because of contention. Prophets have prophesied, sages have spoken wise words, philosophers have probed, all have dilated on the evils of faction without exhausting the subject.⁴¹ Therefore hate dissension and flee from it; keep aloof from its lovers, its supporters, its admirers. If your own flesh and blood be among the lovers of strife, make yourselves as strangers unto them—ignore your kinship, lest ye be consumed in all their sin.⁴² Glory in forbearance, for that is real strength and true victory. If ye seek

³⁹ See *J.E.*, xi, 70b. ⁴⁰ Prov. 14.23.

⁴¹ The evils of contention and faction are a fertile theme of Jewish moralists of all epochs. Our author writes with a heat patently due to personal experience. If the author be indeed Maimonides, his denunciation is prophetic of what occurred after his death, and in connection with his philosophical writings. But the ascription of the Testament to Maimonides is highly improbable. See above p. 101.

⁴² The allusion is to the story of Korah, Num. 16.

ולעקשות פה. ולזות שפתים. וסולם לשטן ולעובדיו.
והיא היא העצלה המנולה⁴⁸ ובכל עצב יהיה
מותר:

אל תשקצו את נפשותיכם במחלוקת המכלה
הגוף והנפש והממון. ומה נשאר עוד? ראיתי
לבנים הושחרו⁴⁹. ופחות נפחתו. ומשפחות נספחו.
ושרים הוסרו מגדולתם. ועיירות גדולות נתערערו.
וקיבוצים נפרדו. וחסידים נפסדו. ואנשי אמונה
אבדו. ונכבדים נקלו ונתבזו. בסבת⁵⁰ המחלוקת:
נביאים נבאו. וחכמים חכמו. ופילוסופים חיפשו.
ויספו לספר רעת המחלוקת. ולא הניעו לתכליתה:
לכן שנאו אותה ונוסו מפניה! והתרחקו מכל
אוהביה וגואליה ורעיה⁵¹: וגם אל כל שאר בשרכם
אוהב מדנים התנכרו⁵². ורחקו קרבתם פן תספו
בכל חטאתם⁵³. התפארו בסבל כי הוא הגבורה
הישרה והנצחון האמיתי. כי בבקשכם הנקמה שמא

⁴⁸ המנונה B.

⁴⁹ השחירו S.

⁵⁰ מחמת B.

⁵¹ The MSS. have masc. terminations throughout this sentence.

⁵² תתנכרו ממנו B.

⁵³ חטאתיך B.

revenge, perchance ye will not attain it, and your heart will be sick with hope deferred;⁴³ and ye may add shame to your disgrace, like one who rolleth a stone which returns unto himself.⁴⁴ And if ye do attain the sought-for revenge, behold ye have sinned against the Lord! For, realize what the result must be to *yourselves*! Hatred, a vindictive heart, confusion of mind, sleeplessness, interruption of your work, the exposure of your faults and failings, degeneration in look and speech, destruction of the soul, a devouring jealousy, disturbance of family peace, and in the end remorse!

Therefore, recognize the worth of forbearance. Sanctify yourselves and be ye holy in the eyes of your enemies. They will relent of their animosity, and your soul will be great in their eyes. They will repent and will better their heart, if they be indeed men of heart. If they are hopelessly base, they will be pained that ye are not as despicable as themselves, in that ye do not as they do, and ye will reign over them with the crown of virtue. Behave, then, with humility, for it is the ladder to the topmost heights;⁴⁵ if ye possess that quality, forbearance itself will not be necessary. There is no ornament so comely as meekness. The Master of the Prophets Moses was not so distinguished in Scripture for any of his qualities as for his virtue of humility.⁴⁶ Keep

⁴³ Prov. 13.12.

⁴⁴ Prov. 26.27.

⁴⁵ Or: "to the highest virtues."

⁴⁶ Num. 12.3.

לא תשיגוה ותחלו לבבכם בתוחלת ממושכה. ושם
 תוסיפו על בשתכם חרפה.⁵⁴ כי גולל⁵⁵ אבן אליו
 תשוב. ואם תשיגוה הנה חטאתם לה! ודעו את
 אשר תמצא אתכם. שנאה. לב נוקם. בלבול השכל.
 טרוד שינה. ביטול⁵⁶ פעולה. גילוי מומים. וג"כ⁵⁷
 יולידוהו שינוי פנים והלחשים. אבדן הנפש. קנאה
 אוכלת. עכירות פמליא.⁵⁸ חרטה באחרית:

לכן תכירו מעלת הסבל.⁵⁹ והתקדשתם והייתם
 קדושים בעיני אויביכם. ויתחרטו מזיקיכם ותגדל
 נפשכם בעיניהם. וישבו ויטיבו לבם⁶⁰ אם הם אנשי
 לבב. ואם הם אנשי בליעל יכאבו ויצר להם על אשר
 לא תתבזו עמהם. לעשות כמוהם. ותמלכו עליהם
 בכתר המוסר: תתנהגו בענוה. כי הוא סולם לעלות
 המעלות⁶¹ הרמות. ועמה לא תצטרכו לסבל: דעו
 כי אין עדי כענוה. הנה⁶² רבן של נביאים לא נתיחס
 על כל טוב⁶³ מדותיו כמו על הענוה: שמרו מחסום

⁵⁴ B omits. ⁵⁵ B כגולל.

⁵⁶ S בלבול. ⁵⁷ B אין.

⁵⁸ S adds לומר לאחרים חוטא ומחטיא.

⁵⁹ B השכל.

⁶⁰ B להם.

⁶¹ B במעלות.

⁶² B משה הנקרא.

⁶³ S omits.

a curb on your mouth,⁴⁷ a bridle on your tongue. God bestowed the faculty of speech on man, because He loved man above all other creatures; a faculty desirable for understanding and lauding God and declaring His wonders; a gift fitted to help man meditate in His Law, learning and teaching, an instrument by which man might promote peace among human kind. It would be ungrateful to turn good into evil, to utter indecent or lying words and to slander—this is indeed an iniquity to be punished by the Judge!⁴⁸

But make matter subject to mind, the body to the soul, for this subjection is your freedom, here and hereafter! Therefore, as to the body, "further not its evil device,"⁴⁹ for to minister to its cravings is to increase its demands, until it⁵⁰ yearns for the unattainable, and in the end the divine element perishes with it. But if the spirit⁵¹ rule, and the body is dominated and humbled, man will seek nothing beyond the necessary; he will be satisfied with the little and will disdain superfluities; he will be contented in life and comforted in death!

Eat, then, that ye may live, and lay a ban on excess. Do not imagine that abundance of food and drink strengthens the body and expands the mind as though you were dealing with a sack which is filled by what is put therein. The

⁴⁷ Ps. 39.1.

⁴⁸ Job 31.11.

⁴⁹ Ps. 140.9.

⁵⁰ Perhaps render "*he* yearns", and refer the pronouns to the man.

⁵¹ Or: "mind".

לפִּיכֶם ורסֶן ללשונכם. דעו כי מעֲלַת הדבר חנן
האל באדם באהבתו אותו על כל הברואים. נחמד
להשכיל. וטוב להודות לה' ולרוממו ולספר
נפלאותיו. ולהגות בתורה וללמוד וללמד. ולהטיל
שלום בין אדם לחבירו.⁶⁵ לכן לא יתכן להמיר
טוב ברע. ולדבר נבלה ושקר ורכילות.⁶⁶ כי הוא
עון פלילי:

ושעבדו החומר לשכל. כלומר הגוף לנפש. כי
שעבודו הוא חירותכם בזה ובבא. לכן זממו אל
תפיקו. כי בהפיק⁶⁷ מאוייו יוסיף לבקש⁶⁸ ולא ישבע
עד שישתוקק למה שלא ישיג, ויאבד עמו חלק
האלהי⁶⁹: ואם ימשול השכל וישתעבד הגוף ויכנע.
לא יבקש רק הצריך⁷⁰. וישבע מן המעט ויקוץ
המותר. וינעם בחיים ויתנחם במות:

אכלו כדי שתחיו והיותר תחרימו. ואל תאמינו
שרוב המאכל והמשתה יגדיל הגוף וירבה השכל.
כשק המתמלא מן המושם לתוכו. כי הוא ההפך.

⁶⁴ S לו. ⁶⁵ S omits the previous 8 words.

⁶⁶ B adds ודברי הבאי. ⁶⁷ S כהפיק.

⁶⁸ S לבקשו.

⁶⁹ S אלהי.

⁷⁰ B יכנע מאוייו יבקש רק מה שצריך.

contrary is true. By taking the little food which is easily digested by the natural heat, a man's vigor and health increase, his mind becomes clear and calm. But if he eat more than enough, overtaxing his digestion, his food "is a vile thing, it shall not be accepted."⁵² His body is emaciated, his intellect dulled, his purse emptied. Over-eating is, in fact, the cause of many maladies. Work before ye eat, rest after ye have eaten. Feed not ravenously, like people afflicted with bulimy;⁵³ fill not your mouths gulp after gulp without breathing space.

Hate injurious viands as you would hate a foe who seeks to slay you. Eat not in the public ways, do not incessantly nibble like mice, take your meals at fixed hours in your homes.⁵⁴ Avoid frequent feastings with young men. The breeding of a man, whether for good or ill, is discerned by his manner at a public banquet. Many a time have I returned to my house hungry and thirsty, because I was aghast at the shame of some of the other guests. Beware of wine, which destroys the strong and degrades the honored. How excellent in my eyes is the ordinance of Jonadab unto his children,⁵⁵ yet will I not lay

⁵² Lev. 19.7.

⁵³ A medical term (Yoma, viii, 6) derived from the Greek. It denotes excessive appetite.

⁵⁴ T. B. Kiddushin 40b. Against dining out see T. B. Pesahim 49a.

⁵⁵ Jer. 35.6. The sons of Jonadab were commanded by their father to abstain from wine. This sentiment of our author is opposed to that of Maimonides, see *Eight Chapters*.

באכול מעט יש כח באצטומכא לקבלו. ובחום הטבעי לעכלו.⁷¹ אז יגדל ויבריא לסובלו ודעתו תתישב.⁷² ואם יאכל יותר מדאי האצטומכא לא יקבלנו. והחום הטבעי לא יעכלנו. נכחו יצא. פגול הוא לא ירצה. גופו ירזה. ושכלו יתבזה. וכיסו יתרוקן: הזהרו שלא תאכלו עד אשר תעכלו. כי הוא הפסד הגוף והכיס. כי הוא סבת רוב התחלואים: ועמלו טרם שתאכלו. ותנוחו אחר שתאכלו.⁷³ אל תאכלו בבהלה כבעלי בולמוס. אל תמלאו פיהם, הלוגמא לא תשיג⁷⁴ חברתה:

שנאו המאכלים המזיקים. כאשר ישנא איש את שונאו המבקש⁷⁵ להמיתו: אל תאכלו בדרכים ואל תאכלו תמיד⁷⁶ כעכברים. כי אם לשעות הקבועות ובבתיכם. והמנעו מהתמיד סעודות עם הבחורים: דעו כי בסעודות הקבוצים יודע תרבות האדם אם טוב ואם רע. והרבה פעמים חזרתי רעב וצמא בביתי מיראתי. בראותי חרפת זולתי: הזהרו מן היין המשחית עצומים. ומבזה הנכבדים. ומה טוב בעיני צוואת יהונדב לבניו. אמנם לא אצונו. כי

⁷¹ B לסובלו. ⁷² B תישב. ⁷³ B omits clause.

⁷⁴ S בלוגמא כי חשינו. ⁷⁵ S ומבקש.

⁷⁶ S omits.

the same command on you; for I have not accustomed you to complete abstinence from wine from your earliest years. But break the strength of the wine with water, and drink it as food not as a pastime.⁵⁶ Not without purpose was the shame of Noah written;⁵⁷ the record was preserved to point a moral.

Expenditure is divisible into four categories: Profit, Loss, Aversion, Honor. *Profit*, is the expenditure on the bestowal of loving-kindness, the interest of which ye enjoy while the capital remains.⁵⁸ *Loss*, is expenditure on gambling, by which a man loses his money, his dignity, his time. If he win he weaves a spider's web; it is a trespass, certainly he is guilty!⁵⁹ *Aversion*, is the designation of expenditure on food. *Honor*, is the expenditure on wearing apparel, on which one should spend what he can afford.⁶⁰ But eat less than your means allow, enough to keep you alive; loathe gambling, keep aloof from gamblers. Stretch your means beyond their capacity to sow in charity, and reap according to mercy!⁶¹

Enjoy life in the society of your friends and the wife of your young manhood.⁶² Remember the warnings of Scripture against unchastity. "She hath cast down many wounded, yea a

⁵⁶ Lit: "luxury"; mere enjoyment.

⁵⁷ Gen. 9.21.

⁵⁸ Mishnah Peah 1.1.

⁵⁹ Isa. 59.5; Lev. 5.19.

⁶⁰ T. B. Hullin 84b.

⁶¹ Hosea 10.12.

לא התנהגתי אתכם מתחלת בריאתכם. אך שברו כחו במים ושתוהו דרך מזון ולא דרך⁷⁷ תענוג: ראוי כי לא לחנם נכתב גנות נח הצדיק. כי אם ליקח מוסר:

דעו כי ההוצאה מתחלקת לארבעה חלקים, ריוח, הפסד. מאוס. כבוד: ריוח, הוא גמילות חסדים שתאכלו הריוח והקרן קיימת: הפסד, הוא השחוק שמפסיד בו אדם מעותיו וכבודו. ומבטל ימיו. ואם ירויח קורי עכביש יארוג. ואשם הוא. אשם אשם! מאוס, הוא מה שנאכל: כבוד, הוא שמלתו לעורו. לכן לבשו כפי השגתכם. אכלו פחות מהשגתכם רק כדי מחייתכם. מאסו השחוק והתרחקו מן השוחקים. זרעו לצדקה יותר מכדי השגתכם. וקצרו לפי חסד!

ראו חיים עם חברתכם ואשת נעוריהם. ואל תגעו בשל זולתכם. כי רבים חללים הפילה

⁷⁷ B על דרך.

⁷⁸ B דעו.

⁶² This combination of the society of friends and the love of wife, as conditions of a happy life, is directly derived from Maimonides, *Guide*, iii, ch. 49.

mighty host are her slain."⁶³ Imagine that ye had been in Noah's ark, and be comforted. Never excite desire, and when in the course of nature it comes upon you, satisfy it in the manner ordained by moral rule, to raise up offspring, and perpetuate the human race. Though it is not meet that ye should be dominated by your wives or reveal to them secrets placed in your keeping,⁶⁴ you must honor your wives, for they are your honor. "All glorious is the King's daughter within the palace."⁶⁵ Serve those who love you, and those near unto you, with your person and your substance, according to the good hand of the Lord upon you. But take heed lest ye serve them with your soul, for that is the divine portion!⁶⁶

⁶³ Prov. 7.26.

⁶⁴ Lit.: "the mysteries of your heart". Cf. Micah 7.8.

⁶⁵ Ps. 45.14, often used by moralists to typify the home as woman's sphere.

⁶⁶ A fine caution, finely expressed. Ardent devotion to the cause of one's family and friends may tempt one to sacrifice ideals. Cf. the Sifra on Levit. 19. 3; T. B. Baba Mezi'a 32a. Closely parallel to some of the sentiments in the latter sections of this Testament, are the views of Maimonides as expressed in the *Guide*, chs. 8, 38, 48, of Part III, and in the passages cited there by Maim. in cross-reference to his other works.

ועצומים כל הרוגיה. חשבו כאשר הייתם בתבת
נח ותתנחמו. ואף בשלכם בסדר ובמשפט.⁷⁹
להעמיד זרע ולהתמיד הבריות: הנה האש היושב
עליו יכזה. והמשכיל יתחמם נגדו ויגע בו לעת
הצורך. ויקבל ממנו תועלת. הניחו לרצון שירדפכם
ואתם לא תרדפוהו: כבדו את נשיכם כי הם
כבודכם. אל תרפו מהם מוסר ולא תמשילון עליכם.
כבודן פנימה. במעט ראותם ימעט הזיקם. אל תגלו
להם מסתורי לבכם: עבדו אוהביכם וקרוביכם
בגופכם ומאודכם. כיד ה' הטובה עליכם. רק
השמרו מאד פן תעבדון בנפשכם כי הוא חלק
אלהי!

⁷⁹ B ומשפט.

קצור ההנהגה אשר תקן הר' ר' אשר

EXTRACTS FROM THE "RULE"
DRAWN UP BY R. ASHER

VI

EXTRACTS FROM THE "RULE"

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Asher son of Yehiel (known as the "Rosh" from the initials of the words Rabbenu Asher) was born in Germany c. 1250; he migrated to Spain, where he died in 1327. The work on which his fame rests is his compendium of the halakic parts of the Talmud (see *J.E.*, ii, 182). But he was author of much else, including the "Rule" or "Rules", from which some extracts are printed in this volume. Sometimes the "Rule" is described as "*Paths of Life*" (cf. Zunz, *Zur Geschichte und Literatur*, Berlin, 1845, p. 128). It is also known as "Rule for Health of the Soul" (MS. Ha. cited below).

The Rule differs in extent in various texts. The fullest form consists of two parts with distinct numberings. Part I contains 23 short paragraphs, the first of which enjoins the payment of a tithe of all profits. See the full statement on this subject in Judah ben Asher's Testament (p. 192 below). Part II consists of 131 or 132 paragraphs, mostly short.

Apart from the question of the 23 paragraphs of Part I (which are sometimes omitted, sometimes transposed to the end of Part II), the Rule as contained in Part II is not a unity. Thus §§ 1 to 24 are in the third person; §§ 25 to 46 are in alphabetical sequence; §§ 47 to end (like the alphabetical section) are in the second person. The Aleppo edition of 1875 contains only 52 paragraphs. The interesting MS. now at Jew's College (Cat. Hirschfeld, No.

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אשר בן יחיאל (הנודע בשם רא"ש-ראשי תיבות של רבינו אשר) נולד באשכנז בערך שנת ו' לאלף הששי; נלה לספרד ונפטר שם בשנת פ"ח. חבורו היותר מפורסם הוא קצור ההלכות על התלמוד הנודע בשם פסקי הרא"ש (עיין באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שני, דף קפ"ב). אבל הוא חבר גם ספרים אחרים, ביניהם הנהגה או הנהגות אשר קצור ממנה נדפס בכרך שלפנינו. יש אשר הנהגה נקראת ארחות חיים (ראה צונץ, צור נעשיכטע אונד ליטעי ראטור, ברלין תר"ה, דף קכ"ח), ונודעת היא גם בשם הנהגה לבריאות הנפש (כ"י האלבערשטאם המובא להלן).

ההנהגה שונה במדתה בנוסחאות שונים. בתכנה המלא יש לה שני חלקים, וכל חלק מסתעף לסעיפים מיוחדים. החלק הראשון מכיל כ"ג סעיפים קצרים, והראשון מהם מזהיר על הפרשת מעשר מכל מיני רוח. הענין הזה נידן באריכות בצואת יהודה בן אשר (להלן דף 192). החלק השני הוא בן קל"א או קל"ב סעיפים, רובם קצרים.

מלבד השאלה ע"ד כ"ג הסעיפים של החלק הראשון (אשר יש שהם נשמטים לגמרי, ויש שהם נדחים לסוף החלק השני), ההנהגה כפי שהיא מופיעה בחלק השני איננה חטיבה שלמה בפני עצמה. כן הסעיפים א'–כ"ד הם בלשון נסתר; כ"ה–מ"ו ערוכים בסדר אלף בית; מ"ז עד גמירא (כמו החלק האלפביתי) הם בלשון נוכח. המהדורה של אחלב תרל"ה מכילה רק נ"ב סעיפים. כ"י חשוב הנמצא כעת בבית מדרש הרבנים בלונדון

¹ For title, and plan of citation see p. 119.

247, 5, here called Hb.) contains, with other matter, most of the negative precepts of the Rule. But they are arranged in an order which suggests that the copyist of one or the other version read a double-columned page vertically instead of horizontally.

It is not specifically stated that the Rule is a Testament. But it is so described by Zunz, Güdemann (*Quellenschriften*, Berlin 1891, p. 22), and Bäck (in Winter u. Wuensche, *Die Jüdische Litteratur*, Trier, 1896, iii, 636).

The variations in order indicated above, justify the action of Zunz, who extracted sentences and arranged them in his own order. The same plan has been adopted here. Zunz's selection has been followed, though not exactly.

The Hebrew editions represent two types of text: one is contained in the Venice edition of 1578 and the Mantua edition of 1623 (here named A and L); the other is contained in the Venice edition of 1616 and the Frankfort edition of 1717 (here named B and D). In the Metz edition of 1767 the work is arranged into seven parts for daily reading, the whole Rule would thus be read once a week. The basis of the text used in the present volume is A, but the other editions have been consulted, and use has been made of the MS. Hb. as well as of Ha., which is bound in the same codex (§ 10).

These are the things to which thou must give heed, if thou wouldst depart from the snares of death, and bask in the light of life!

Be not prone to enter into quarrels; beware of oppressing fellow-men whether in money or word. Never feel envy or hate. Keep far from

(רשימת הירשפעלד, נומר 5, 247, מכונה פה Hb) מכיל יחד עם כתבים אחרים רוב המצוות השלידיות של ההנהגה, אבל הן מסודרות בסדר כזה הנותן לנו טעם להחליט שהמעתיק של הנוסח האחד או השני קרא עמוד בעד שתי צלעות לאורך ולא לרוחב.

לא נאמר בפירוש שההנהגה היא צואה, אבל צונץ, גידעמאן (קוועללענשריפטען, ברלין תרנ"א, דף כ"ב), ובעק (בספרם של ווינטער ווינשע, דיא אידישע ליטעראטור, טריער תרנ"ו, כרך שלישי, דף תרל"ו) מכנים אותה כך.

השינוים בסדר הזכרים למעלה מצדיקים את מעשהו של צונץ אשר לקט פסוקים ויסדר אותם בסדר המיוחד לו. בדרך זה הלכתי גם אני: החזקתי בסדר הלקוט של צונץ, אף כי לא בדיוק גמור.

המהדורות העבריות מציגות שני מיני נוסח: האחד נמצא בהוצאת ויניציה של"ח ובהוצאת מנטובה שפ"ג (נקראות פה A, L), השני נמצא בהוצאת ויניציה שע"ו ובהוצאת פרנקפורט תע"ז (נקראות פה D, B). במהדורת מעץ תקכ"ז ההנהגה היא מסודרת בשבעה חלקים לקריאת יום יום, באופן שכל ההנהגה נקראת פעם אחת בשבוע. הנוסח בכרך שלפנינו נוסד על A, אבל חזרתי גם על המהדורות האחרות, והשתמשתי בכ"י Hb וגם בכ"י Ha הכרוך באותו קודקס (10 §).

ואלה הדברים שיזהר האדם בהם לסור ממוקשי מות ולאור באור החיים:
אל תצא לריב מהר. ותזהר מאונאת הבריות.
הן בממון הן בדברים. ומקנאתם ומשנאתם:

oaths and the iniquity of vows¹, from laughter² and anger which confuse alike the spirit and the mind. Use not the name of God for vain purposes or in foul places. Rely not on the broken reed of human support, make not gold thy hope³, for therein lies the first step to idolatry. Rather distribute thy money where the Lord so wills, He can make good thy deficit! 'Tis a fine and right course to think little of thy virtues and much of thy vices; to magnify the mercies of Him who made thee and provideth thy sustenance in due season. Act not aright from hope of reward, nor avoid the wrong from fear of punishment; but serve from love. Esteem the utterance of thy money as of less import than the utterance of thy words; issue no base coin from thy lips, weigh thy words in the balance of thy judgment. Hide behind the walls of thy heart what is said in thy presence, even though thou be not pledged to confidence. If thou hearest the same report from another, say not: "I have heard it already!"

Habituate thyself to wake at dawn, and to leave thy couch at the song of the birds^{3a}. Rise not as a sluggard, but with eagerness to serve thy Maker! Be not a drunkard or a glutton, lest thou forget thy Creator and fall into sin. Look

¹ Cf. T. B. Nedarim 22a.

² So Zunz renders. The author means that lack of seriousness which reveals itself in frivolity and insincerity.

³ Zunz: "*Lebenshoffnung*." Cf. Job 31.24.

^{3a} Eccles. 12.4.

ותתרחק מן השבועות ומעון² הנדרים. מן השחוק
ומן הכעס. כי מבלבל רוחו ודעתו של אדם: ואל
תוציא שם שמים לבטלה. ולא במקום מטונף: הסר
ממך משענת הקנה הרצוץ משענת בני אדם. ואל
תשים זהב כסלך. כי זאת תחלת עבודת אלילים.
ופזר ממנוך באשר הוא רצונו. כי בידו למלאות
חסרונך: טוב וישר לך להמעִיט בעִיניך פעולותיך
הטובות. ולהגדיל פשעיך. ולהרבות חסדי בוראך
ויוצרך מבטן ונותן אכלך בעתו. ואל תהיה משמש
על מנת לקבל פרס בעשותך מצותיו. ואל תרחק
מן העבירות מפני העונש. רק עבוד מאהבה: ותקל
בעִיניך הוצאת ממנוך מהוצאת דבריך. ופיך אל
ימהר להוציא דבר רע עד אשר תשקלהו במאזני
שכלך: גם על הדברים אשר ידברו לפניך שלא על
דרך סוד טומנם בקירות לבך. גם אם תשמענו
מאחר אל תאמר כבר שמעתי זה:³

ותרניל את עצמך להקיץ בהנץ החמה. ולקול
הצפור קום ממטתך: אל תקום כאיש עצל. כי אם
בזריזות כדי לעבוד ליוצרך: אל תהי בסובאי
יין בזוללי בשר פן תשכח בוראך ותחטא: אל תשים

² So A. Some other texts read רמן.

³ §§ 8, 23, 24, 28, 29, 34, 52, 30, 41.

⁴ So Hb. D omits with A and C. B reads מחליא.

not at him who is above thee in riches but at him who is below; turn thine eyes to thy superior, not to thy inferior, in the service and fear of God. Rejoice when thou sufferest reproof, hear counsel and receive instruction⁴. Exalt not thyself over thy fellow creatures, but be humble of spirit, and like the dust on which all tread. Speak not insolence with a haughty neck⁵, lifting high thy forehead, thereby rejecting the fear of Heaven. Never do in private what thou wouldst be ashamed to do in public, and say not: "Who will see me?"

Raise not thine hand against thy neighbor. Circulate no false reports; slander no man. When men address thee in unseemly fashion, be not too apt with insolent retort. Let no man hear thee in the street, bellow not like a beast, but let thy voice be soft. Put not thy fellow man to the blush in public. The first of all fences against wronging thy fellow man is the avoidance of covetousness. Never be weary of making friends, consider a single enemy as one too many. If thou hast a faithful friend, hold fast to him; let him not go, for he is a precious possession. But entice not friendship by adulation and hypocrisy,⁶ and speak not with a double heart! Retain not thine anger against a fellow-man for a

⁴ Prov. 19.20.

⁵ Ps. 75.6.

⁶ Zunz: "aber Schmeichelei und Falschheit halte fern von ihm."

עיניך למי שעלה לעושר יותר ממך. אלא למי שתחתך: אל תבט למי שהוא קטן ממך בעבודה וביראה אלא לגדול ממך: שמח בשמעך תוכחת. ושמע עצה וקבל מוסר: אל תתנאה על הבריות. ותהיה שפל רוח וכעפר שהכל דשים בו: אל תדבר בצוואר עתק. ואל תרים⁵ מצח שלא לקבל עליך יראת שמים: אל תעשה בסתר מה שתבייש בגלוי. ואל תאמר מי יראני?⁶

אל תרים ירך על חבירך. אל תוציא דבה ולשון הרע על שום בריה: אל תהי נבהל להשיב בעזות למי שאמר דברים אשר לא טובים: אל תשמיע בחוץ קולך. ואל תהי צווח כבהמה. ודברייך יהיו בנחת: אל תלבין פני חבירך ברבים: וראש כל הגדרים שישמור האדם את עיניו מכל דבר שאינו שלו: אל תרף ירך מלבקש ריעים ואוהבים.⁷ ואל ימעט לפניך שונא אחד: אל תרף ירך לקנות לך חבר נאמן. ושמור אותו. ואל תאבדהו כי טוב: אל תפתה את חבירך בשפתי חלקות ובחניפות. ואל תדבר בלב ולב:⁸ אל תחזיק כעסך נגד חבירך

⁵ B. D תעין.

⁶ §§ 70, 48, 95, 59, 81, 45, 47, 66, 63, 109.

⁷ Hb ואוהבים. ⁸ D. לב. בלא.

single day, but humble thyself and ask forgiveness. Let not thy heart be high, saying: "I am the injured party, let him make the first overtures." But, every night before thou retirest to rest, forgive whoever has offended thee. If men curse or revile thee, answer not a word, be of the insulted, (not of the insulters)!⁷

Keep thy feet evenly in the track,⁸ holding thyself firmly in the middle path in the satisfaction of thy appetites. So, be neither accessible to all nor a recluse from all. In all thy moral characteristics seek the mean, turning neither to right nor left.⁹ Rejoice not overmuch, for remember that thy life is a breath; formed from the dust, thou wilt end with the worm! Be not offended at trifles, lest thou gather enemies without cause.¹⁰ Pry not into other men's secrets. Be not overbearing towards the men of thy city; yield to the wishes of others. Will that which God wills; rejoice in thy portion, be it little or much; pray continually to God that He incline thine heart unto His testimonies. Never show ingratitude, but do honor to everyone who opens a door for thee to earn the necessities of life.¹¹ Never utter a falsehood, but be faithful to all men, irrespective of creed. Be not slow to offer the greeting

⁷ T. B. Shabbat 88b.

⁸ Applying Prov. 4.26.

⁹ On the "Mean" as ethical standard, see Maimonides, *Eight Chapters*, ch. 4; *De'ot* i, 4.

¹⁰ Zunz: "du machst dir unnöthig Feinde."

¹¹ Zunz: "Bleibe dankbar jedem, der dir zu deinem Brote geholfen."

יום אחר. ותכנע לפניו לבקש ממנו מחילה. אל⁹
 יגבה לבך לאמר, יש לי עון ממנו. הוא יבא לבקש
 לי מחילה קודם: ותמחול בכל לילה קודם שתישן
 לכל מי שחטא לך בדברים: ואם יקללוך בני אדם
 או יחרפוך. אל תשיב להם מאומה. אלא תהי מן
 הנעלבים:¹⁰

פלס מעגל רגליך לישר עצמך בדרך בינוני
 במאכל ובמשתה. אל תהי הפקר ולא חדל אשים.¹¹
 ובכל מדותיך אל תט ימין ושמאל: אל תרבה
 לשמוח. וזכור כי רוח חיך. ואתה נוצר¹² מעפר
 ואחריתך רמה: אל תהי קפדן לדבר מועט נגר
 שום אדם. פן תלקט שונאים על חנם: אל תהי להוט
 לדעת הסתרים שבין אדם לחבירו: אל תהי סרבן
 אל אנשי עירך. ובטל רצונך מפני רצון אחרים:
 רצה כאשר ירצה יוצרך. שמח בחלקך אם מעט
 ואם הרבה. והתחנן לפניו תמיד להטות לבבך
 אל עדותיו: אל תהי כפוי טובה. וכבר כל מי שפתח
 לך פתח לבקש די ספוקך: אל תוציא מפיו דבר
 שקר וכזב. ותהיה נאמן¹³ לכל אדם. אל תתעצל

⁹ From here till end of sentence is derived from Hb.

¹⁰ §§ 82-86, 20, 90, 102, 103, 62, 11 (A), 22.

¹¹ Ha has been adopted.

¹² Hb נוצרתי. ¹³ Hb אמיתי.

of peace to all, be they Jew or Gentile; and never give a fellow-man cause for resentment.

Show invariable hospitality to wayfarers; welcome them with a smiling face. When they take their leave, provide them with food for the journey, accompany them for a space¹², let them depart with a cheery farewell. Break not thy body by intemperance, thou mayest be betrayed into indecent speech and suffer thereafter remorse. Never be angry with thy wife; if thou put her off from thee with thy left hand, delay not to draw her to thee again with thy right hand!¹³

Be ever responsive to the call of charity.¹⁴ Never contribute less than a half shekel annually, and at one time. Give every month and every week the full amount that thou canst spare. On no day let there be lacking some small gift before prayer. Pay the "continual offering" every Friday. When thy means reach a tithable amount, set aside the tithe. Thus wilt thou possess an ever-ready store, at hand for all occasions of loving-kindness, whether to the living or the dead, whether to the poor or the rich.¹⁵

Enjoy nor food nor drink without benediction before and after, tendering thanks to Him who

¹² See e. g. Mishnah Soṭah 9.6.

¹³ T. B. Soṭah 47a.

¹⁴ Applying Deut. 16.20.

¹⁵ The family of Asher ben Yehiel—the author of this Testament—was distinguished for the popularization of the tithing practice in the early part of the fourteenth century. See Abrahams, *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages*, p. 320. Cf. p. 192, in present volume. The last clauses

להקדים שלום לכל אדם ואפילו לעכו"ם. ואל
תכעיס לשום אדם:¹⁴

אל יהיו פניך זעומים נגד עוברים ושבים. וקבל
אותם בפנים מאירים: אל תשכח להעניק להם
צידה לדרך ולעשות לויה להם. ותנחמם בדברים:
אל תשבור גופך להשתכר מין. פן תהיה מגונה
ותנבל את פוך ותתחרט: אל תכעס באשתך. ואם
רחקת אותה בשמאל, קרב אותה בימין בלא
איחור:¹⁵

צדק צדק תרדוף. ואל תחסר ממחצית השקל
בכל שנה בפעם אחת. ובכל חרש ובכל שבוע כפי
מסת ירך. ובכל יום לא תחסר מתנה מועטת לכל
הפחות קודם תפלה. ותפרע התמיד בכל יום
הששי. ואם הגיע למעשר תתן. ויהיה טרף בביתך
בכל אשר תמצא ירך לגמול. הן לחיים הן למתים.
הן לעניים הן לעשירים:¹⁶

מכל מאכל אשר תאכל, ומכל משקה אשר
תשתה, אל תהנה בלא ברכה תחלה וסוף. ותזהר

¹⁴ Another reading is לשום עכו"ם, §§ 43, 74, 107, 108, 120, 69, 129–131, 104.

¹⁵ §§ 57, 58, 122, 123.

¹⁶ §§ 68, 14 (A).

hath satisfied thy longing soul. Cover thy head when thou namest God.¹⁶ Let thine innermost being be stirred when thou speakest of Him; be not among those of whom the Scripture says: "With their mouth and with their lips they honour Me, but they have removed their heart far from me."¹⁷ Wash thy hands before prayer and meals. Sanctify thyself in all things; never behave with levity; let the fear of God be upon thee. Before meals, and before retiring to rest, regularly read the Torah, and derive from its pages topics for table-talk. Direct thy household in accordance with the Law, in all matters needing direction.

Pray not as a matter of rote, for prayer is the service of the heart.¹⁸ If thy child address thee, and speak not from his heart, art thou not angry? How then shalt thou, insignificant wite, act in presence of the King of the universe? Be not as a servant to whom hath been committed for his own good an important work and he hath spoilt it! How shall such a one stand before the King? How excellent would it be to ask pardon for praying "Pardon us"¹⁹ without sincerity! Relax not confession for thy sins mor-

in the paragraph may be differently rendered if we put a full stop at בביתך. The sense will then be that if a man gives a tithe, God provides sustenance for his household. The rest of the sentence will be an independent thought, calling for constant acts of charity and love.

¹⁶ T. B. Shabbat 56b.

¹⁷ Isa. 29.13.

¹⁸ T. B. Ta'anit 2a.

לברך את בוראך שהשביע נפש שוקקה: וכסה ראשך כשתזכור את ה'. ויהמו מעיך¹⁷ מדי דברך בו. ואל תהיה כאמור, בפיו ובשפתיו כבדוני ולבו רחוק ממני: נטול ידיך לתפלה ולאכילה. וקדש עצמך בכל דבריך. ואל תנהג עצמך בקלות ראש. ויהי מורא שמים עליך: קבע עתים לתורה קודם אכילה ושכיבה. ודברת במ על שולחנך. והזהרת במ אנשי ביתך להדריכם על פי התורה בכל הדברים הצריכים אזהרה¹⁸:

כוון בתפלתך. כי התפלה היא עבודה שבלב. ואם בנך ידבר לך ולא מלבו הלא יחר לך. ומה תעשה טפה סרוחה לפני מלכו של עולם? ולא תהיה כעבד שמסרו לו מלאכה נכבדה לטובתו וחבלה¹⁹. ואיך יעמוד לפני המלך? ומה טוב לבקש סליחה על אמריך סלח לנו בלא כוונה: וידוי על

¹⁷ This seems the true reading. Usually the text is מעיך. Ha has ויזמו עיניך.

¹⁸ §§ 38, 22, 39, 40, 44.

¹⁹ In place of this and the previous words, Ha reads לטובה ומסרה משובשת וחבולה.

¹⁹ In the eighteen benedictions of the daily liturgy. Similarly with the rest of the sentences; they refer to passages in the prayers.

ning and evening, nor omit to remember Zion and Jerusalem with a broken heart and bitter tears. And when thou recitest the verse which bids thee love the Lord thy God,²⁰ speak as one ready to deliver up life and substance for His sanctification, thus fulfilling in thy person the words of the Singer: "For Thy sake are we killed every day."²¹ Yet have a whole-hearted confidence in Him, and believe in His special providence, for the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, and He regards all the ways of a man.²² Day and night let thy lips make mention of Him. When thou liest down luxuriate in His love, and in thy dream thou wilt find it. When thou awakest thou wilt delight in Him, and He will direct thy paths. So fulfil all thy virtuous acts in the spirit of humbly walking before Him. This is the service which He has chosen, this the service acceptable in His sight!

²⁰ Deut. 6.5. Cf. Sifre on the text.

²¹ Ps. 44.23.

²² II Chr. 16.9; Job 34.21

עונותיך ערב ובקר אל יחסר. וזכרון ציון וירושלם
 בשברון לב ובדאגה ובדמעה: והסכם באומרך
 את ה' אלהיך וגו' למסור גופך וממונך על קדושתו.
 ובזה תקיים בעצמך דברי המשורר. כי עליך
 הורגנו כל היום: ותבטח בה' בכל לבבך. ותאמין
 בהשגחתו פרטית. כי עיניו משוטטות בכל הארץ
 ועיניו על כל דרכי איש: יומם ולילה זכרו מפין
 אל ימוש. בשכבך תשגה באהבתו ובחלומך²⁰
 תמצאנה. והקיצות בו תשתעשע. והוא יישר
 אורחותיך: ותקיים בהצנע לכת²¹ מעשיך הטובים
 כי היא עבודת ה' הנבחרת והרצויה לפניו:²²

²⁰ So Ha. The usual reading is: ובקומך ובהלוכך.

²¹ So Ha. Usual reading: בהצנע לכלכל.

²² §§ 36, 31, 25, 26, 35, 23 (A).

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Kaspia (from kesef "silver") is the Hebrew equivalent of L'Argentière, a city of Languedoc, where Joseph (called also Bonafos) ibn Kaspi was born about the year 1280 (H. Gross, *Gallia Judaica*, Paris, 1897, pp. 67 seq.). He travelled much, and he and his children were separated. At the time when he wrote his Testament, in the autumn of 1332, he himself was in Valencia; he had a daughter in Perpignan; an elder son (Abba Mari to whom he dedicated his Commentary on Maimonides' *Guide*) at Barcelona; and a younger son (Solomon, to whom the Testament was addressed) at Tarascon. But though a wanderer; though at the age of fifty he describes himself as old; and though he is said to have suffered from the Pastoureaux persecution of 1320; Ibn Kaspi was not unhappy. He possessed adequate means, was everywhere respected, and, despite his lament as to the dearth of congenial friends, he wrote many works, of which a full list may be found in *J.E.*, iii, p. 600.

Most of his books had to wait long for publication. His Commentary on the *Guide* appeared in 1848, some others of his works followed, and then from 1903 onwards I. Last printed a long series of Ibn Kaspi's treatises, including his much discussed Metaphysics (Ha-Sod).

The Testament, called "*Book of Admonition*" (ספר המוסר) and also "*Guide to Knowledge*" (יורה דעה), was

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כספֿיא (ממלת, כספֿי) היא העתקה עברית של ארג'נטיער, עיר בחבל לאנגערדוק בצרפת, אשר שם ראה יוסף (הידוע גם בשם טוב עדס) אבן כספי אור חיים בערך שנת מ' לאלף הששי (ה' גראס, Gallia Judaica, פריז תרנ"ז, דף ס"ז וכו'). אבן כספי נסע הרבה ויהי רחוק מביתו ומבניו. בשעה שכתב את צואתו, בסתיו של שנת צ"ב, הוא בעצמו היה בבלנסיה, בתו היתה בפרפניאן, בנו בכורו (אבא מרי, אשר אליו הקדיש את פירושו ל"מורה נבוכים" של הרמב"ם) היה בברצלונא, ובנו הצעיר (שלמה, אשר אליו נשלחה הצואה הזאת) היה בטרסקון. אבל אף כי היה נע ונד ובשנת החמשים לחייו כבר התאמר לזקן, ואף כי לפי השמועה סבל מרדיפות הרועים בשנת פ', בכ"ז לא היה מזלו של אבן כספי כ"כ רע. כפי הנראה היה איש בעל אמצעים נאותים וחביב על הבריות בכל מקום שהוא, ולמרות תלונתו כי רעים נאמנים הם יקרי המציאות עלה בידו לחבר חבורים הרבה (רשימה מלאה מהם נמצאת באנציקלר פדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שלישי, דף ת"ר).

רוב ספריו עבר עליהם זמן רב ללא דפוס. פירושו אל ה"מורה" הופיע רק בשנת תר"ח, אחריו באו איזה מחבוריו האחרים, ומשנת תרס"ג ואילך הדפיס יצחק לאסט שורה ארוכה של מחברות אבן כספי, ביניהן "ס' הסוד" על מה שלמעלה מן הטבע, אשר עורר ויכוחים הרבה.

הצואה, המכונה "ספר המוסר" וגם "יורה דעה", נדפסה

printed in part by Benjacob in 1846, but the first full edition was that of E. Aschkenasi (in *his* טעם וקנים, Frankfurt a. M., 1854). A second edition appeared in Prag, 1857 (in E. Bondi's *Hebräische Chrestomathie*, ed. W. Pascheles). A third edition was that of I. Last (in *עשרה כלי כסף* vol. ii, p. 59, Pressburg, 1903).

For the present edition, the edds. of Aschkenasi (A) and Last (L) have been consulted, and the MS. of the London Beth Hamidrash (Cat. Neubauer No. 40 fol. 26b), and the Halberstam MS. now in the Jews' College, London (Cat. Hirschfeld, No. 279 fol. 23b) have been freshly collated. These MSS. are referred to in the critical notes as B. and H. respectively. Except that H. has no introduction and opens with Chapter i, it agrees generally with B., though it differs in detail.

The main theme of Ibn Kaspi's Testament, as of others of his works, is the vindication of philosophy. The well-known controversy as to the metaphysical writings of Maimonides was still keen, and later on Ibn Kaspi was assailed by advocates of the opposite view to his. In particular his Testament was attacked by J. Jabez, the fifteenth-century author of what Steinschneider rightly describes as an *Apology of Theology against Philosophy* (אור החיים, Ferrara 1554). In the ninth chapter of that work, Jabez uses strong terms, denouncing Ibn Kaspi as one who ridiculed the study of the Talmud. Jabez can hardly have had the full text of the Testament before him. For Ibn Kaspi was no bigot. He urges the claims of science, but he also eulogizes the Talmud. He agrees that the end of life is the performance of the Law, and the very incident which rouses the ire of Jabez shows Ibn Kaspi to have been himself a punctilious observer of rabbinic rules. What he really contended for was the

לקטועין ע"י בקיעקב בשנת תר"ו, אבל במלואה נרפסה ראשונה ע"י אליעזר אשכנזי (בספרו „טעם זקנים“, פרנקפורט על נהר מאין תר"ד). מהדורה שניה הופיעה בפראג בשנת תר"ז (בספר „העברעאישע כריסתומטיה“ של בוגרי, הוצאת וואלף פאשעלעס). מהדורה שלישית היתה זו של יצחק לאסט (ב„עשרה כלי כסף“, חלק שני, דף נ"ט, פרעסבורג תרס"ג). למטרת ההוצאה שלפנינו השתמשתי במהדורות אשכנזי (A) ולאסט (L), ועברתי עוד הפעם על הכ"י של בית המדרש בלונדון (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 40, עמוד כ"ו:) וכת"י האל-ברשטאם הנמצא כעת בבית מדרש הרבנים בלונדון (רשימת הירשפעלד, נומר 279, עמוד כ"ג:). בהערותי בשולי הגליון נקרא הכ"י הראשון B והכ"י השני H. מלבד אשר H אין לו הקדמה והוא פותח בפרק א' הוא מתאים בכללו אל B, אף כי שונה הוא בפרטים.

הנושא הראשי של צואת אבן כספי, כמו של חבריו האחרים, היא ההגנה על הפילוסופיה. המחלוקת הידועה ע"ד ספרי הרמב"ם העיוניים היתה עוד חדה ושנונה, וגם בזמן מאוחר התנפלו על אבן כספי כל אלה שהתנגדו לדעותיו. ביחוד נעשתה צואתו מטרה לחצי י. יעבץ שחי במאה החמש עשרה ויחבר מה ששטיינשניידר קורא בצדק התנצלות התיאולוגיה כנגד הפילוסופיה („אור החיים“, פירא ש"ד). בפרק התשיעי של הספר הזה מדבר יעבץ קשות כנגד אבן כספי וממיט עליו אשם שעשה את למוד התלמוד לשחוק ולקלס. אי אפשר שנוסח הצואה במלואו היה לפני עיניו, כי הלא הצביעות לא היתה ממדותיו של אבן כספי. אמנם דורש הוא עיון חכמה, אבל הוא מהלל ומשבח גם את התלמוד. מסכים הוא שקיום המצוות הוא תכלית החיים, ואותו המאורע עצמו המעלה קצפו של יעבץ מוכיח שאבן כספי היה מדקדק מאד בשמירת דיני התלמוד. מה שהתעצם להוכיח היתה החובה

duty to seek a philosophical justification of religion, which he based on certain fundamental principles, themselves precepts of the Law. Like Jewish writers of the pre-Christian age, Ibn Kaspi claimed that Aristotle derived his ideas from Jewish sources. He also credited the medieval legend that Aristotle at the end of his life recanted those views which ran counter to the Hebrew Scriptures (Cf. *Mind*, July, 1888; *Monatsschrift*, xlv, 453).

Another ground of attack on Ibn Kaspi was, curiously enough, his lucidity. Kalonymos, the famous Italian poet, while holding Ibn Kaspi in high esteem, blamed him for writing so as to disturb the "simple faith" of the masses (See *Kalonymos' Sendschreiben an Joseph Kaspi*, ed. Perles, Munich, 1879, pp. 3 and 6). Finally Ibn Kaspi was denounced as one who accepted the Aristotelian doctrine of the eternity (as against the creation) of the world. But he does not seem to have differed on this point from the object of his worship—Maimonides, the "holy", the "perfect", the "light of the world", as he delights to call him.

It is worth noting that Jabez quotes an otherwise unknown Testament by a disciple of Solomon ben Adereth: who applies to the philosophers the following biblical passages: "Shall a man go to the coals and his feet not be burnt? Shall children eat sour fruit and their teeth not be set on edge " (Prov. 6.28 and Ez. 18.2.)

Ibn Kaspi had his detractors (cf. *J. E.* loc. cit.), but he also won many admirers. In 1372 Isaac Lattes spoke favorably of his commentaries on the Bible (see Neubauer, *Mediaeval Jewish Chronicles*, ii, 239). Moses Rieti, in the early part of the fifteenth century, places him in Paradise in the good company of the Ibn Tibbons and the authors

לבקש הצטרפות פילוסופית בעד הדת, ואותה בסס על עקרים יסודיים ידועים שכשהם לעצמם הם הם מצוות התורה. כמו סופרים יהודיים שחיו לפני התקופה הנוצרית טען אבן כספי שאריסטו קבל את דעותיו ממקורות יהודיים, ויאמין גם בהאגדה של ימי הביניים שבקץ ימי חייו התחרט אריסטו על דעותיו המתנגדות לכתבי הקדש (ראה את העתון Mind לירח יולי 1888; מאנאטסשריפט, כרך ארבעים וחמשה, דף תנ"ג).

יש גם טעם אחר, טעם נפלא חור, להתנפלות זו על אבן כספי, חה הוא צהות לשונו ובהירות סגנונו. קלונימוס, המשורר האיטלקי המפורסם, אף כי הוקיר מאד את ערכו של אבן כספי, בכ"ו האשים אותו בעד נטיתו לכתוב בסגנון העלול לבטל את "האמונה הפשוטה" של ההמון (ראה קלונימוס, זענר שרייבען אן יוסף כספי, הוצאת פרלס, מינכען תרל"ט, דף ג' וגם ו'). לאחרונה הלשינו עליו על אבן כספי שהאמין בעקר אריסטו של נצחיות העולם (כנגד בריאת העולם של היהודים); אבל, כנראה, לא שנה בזה ממורו אשר העריץ, הרמב"ם ה"קדוש", ה"מושלם", "אור העולם", כמו שהוא מכנהו בחבה. נחוץ להעיר עוד שיעבץ מביא צואה בלתי נודעת מתלמיד של שלמה בן אדרת, הקורא על הפילוסופים את הכתובים האלה של כתבי הקדש: "אם יהלך איש על הגחלים ורגליו לא תכוונו?" (משלי ו' כ"ח); "אבות יאכלו בסר ושני הבנים תקחינה (יחזקאל י"ח ב')."

אבן כספי היו לו מגנים (ראה את האנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, במקום הנזכר לעיל), אבל הוא רכש לו גם מכבדים ומעריצים רבים. בשנת קל"ב המליץ רבי יצחק לאטעס על פירושו לספרי הקדש (ראה נייבויער, סדר החכמים וקורות הימים, כרך שני, דף רל"ט). בתחלת המאה החמש עשרה מיהר לו משה ריאטי מקום בן עדן יחד עם יהודה ושמואל

of the Rokeah and the Book of the Pious. Gross well sums up the truth about him when he says (*Gallia Judaica*, p. 68); "En effet, ses ouvrages ne contiennent pas que de l'argent pur, on y trouve aussi des scories, mais, dans tout se révèle un esprit net, pénétrant, épris de vérité."

INTRODUCTION

Saith Joseph ibn Kaspi: All my days I have toiled to live in the society of the wise, but I have found no rest. Twenty years ago, I became an exile to a place reputed for learning. I dwelt in the uttermost part of the sea, I crossed to Egypt, where I visited the College of that renowned and perfect sage, the Guide.¹ I found there the fourth and fifth generations of his holy seed, all of them righteous, but none of them devoted to science. In all the Orient there were no scholars, and I applied to myself the text,² "Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help."

I returned to my country disappointed, after having spent five months in going and coming. Then I passed a considerable interval at home, studying philosophy, and the commentaries on the Pentateuch and the whole of the Bible. A day came when the spirit of the Lord moved me to search among the capitals of the West; so I travelled through Catalonia and Aragon, and at

¹ i. e. Maimonides, so called from the title of his book, *Guide of the Perplexed*.

² Isa. 39.1.

אבן תבון ומחברי ה"רוקח" ו"ספר החסידים". גראס חדר לתוך האמת באמרו עליו (Gallia Judaica, דף ס"ח): באמת חבוריו מלאים כסף טהור, אף כי נמצאת בהם גם פסולת; אבל בכלם מתגלה לב טהור, חוקר ודורש, ומשועבד אל האמת.

אמר יוסף אבן כספיי: כל ימי יגעתי להתגדל² בין החכמים ומנוחה לא מצאתי. זה לי עשרים שנה גליתי למקום תורה לפי הנשמע. שכנתי באחרית ים. ירדתי מצרים^{2a} בית מדרשו של הרב הגדול החכם השלם המורה. ומצאתי שם זרעו זרע קודש דור רביעי ובניהם חמישי. כלם צדיקים אבל בחכמות לא היו מתעסקים. וגם בכל המזרח לא היו שם חכמים. וקראתי על עצמי הוי היורדים מצרים לעזרה:

ואשוב אל ארצי בבשת פנים. וכל זמן עמידתי בהליכה ובחזרה היו חמשה חדשים: אחר כן שקדתי ימים רבים בארצי ובביתי בחכמות ובפרושי התורה והמקרא כולה: ויהי היום רוח ה' העירני לחפש בבירות³ ארץ המערב. ואסוב⁴ קטלוניא

¹ H omits the introduction and begins with א פרק.

² L omits. ^{2a} B בארץ מצרים.

³ So B. L reads המורה or התורה suggesting the correction to המדינה. ⁴ L ובנתי. ⁵ B Omits. ⁶ B ואשוב.

this moment³ I am living in the great city of Valencia. If the Quickener of the dead grant me life, I will again traverse the whole of Aragon and Spain. I will cross to Fez, for I have heard that it is a seat of learning. Wherever I may go, wealth and honor are with me, thanks be to God! Perchance once in my life-time I may happen upon a teacher or companion in my studies. Or the Lord may work a miracle for me and I may find a disciple after my mind, to whom I may bequeath my inmost thoughts and opinions,—weak and poor though they be. Therefore I have resolved, before departing to distant shores, to write this Admonition, and to despatch it to my younger son Solomon, who is settled in Tarascon. I hope that it may be a memorial constantly between his eyes, so that he may order his ways aright. Peradventure the spirit of God may carry me to a far-off land, or death may cut me off, and I and my son be found sinners.⁴ This Admonition may prove useful also for the instruction of many of the inhabitants of the land. Therefore I have called it: *A Guide to Knowledge*, and in the help of God may I find support (to accomplish my purpose).—

CHAPTER I

Solomon, my son! Know thou the God of thy father and serve Him. He will cause thee to ride in His “second chariot”⁵ and thine own conduct

³ Autumn of 1332.

⁴ The father because he failed to admonish, the son because of the father's neglect.

⁵ i. e. in the angelic rank.

וארגון והנני היום העיר הגדולה בלנציאה⁷. ואם
 יחיני מחיה המתים אסוב עוד כל ארגון וספרד
 ואעבור פאס. כי שמעתי שמה ישבו⁸ כסאות
 לחכמים: ובכל מקום אשר אני הולך עושר וכבוד
 אתי תהלה לאל. אולי פעם אחת בימי אעשה לי
 רב או אקנה לי חבר או בריאה יברא ה' תלמיד
 הגון אנחילנו ירושת סודותי ודעותי החלושים
 והדלים: לכן טרם ארחיק ללכת אמרתי בלבבי
 לעשות זה המוסר ולשלחו לשלמה בני צעירי⁹
 היושב טרשקון¹⁰. יהיה לו לזכרון בין עיני
 תמיד והוא יישר אורחותיו. פן רוח ה' ישאני
 בארץ¹¹ רחוקה או יפסקני המות. והייתי אני
 ושלמה בני חטאים: ואולי יועיל זה המוסר להבין
 ולהורות לרבים מיושבי הארץ. ולכן קראתיו
 יורה דעה¹² ובהשם אעזר:

פרק א

שלמה בני! דע את אלהי אביך ועבדהו. והוא
 ירכיבך במרכבת המשנה אשר לו וגם המעשה¹³

⁷ L בלנסיא. ⁸ L omits.

⁹ So B. Other readings: A בעירי, L בחורי, W. בכורי.

¹⁰ B טרשקון, L טרסקון. ¹¹ L omits, adding from A.

¹² B omits these four words. ¹³ B, H omit.

must raise thee in its chariot⁶, drawing thee as near as thy faculty avails unto Him. Even so David said to his son Solomon, "If thou seek Him He will be found of thee."⁷

Now, the knowledge of God is the primary precept of all our 613 laws, as may be seen from the texts enforcing this knowledge.⁸ It is the basis of the four precepts enumerated by Maimonides at the beginning of his Code. He specifically terms them the Foundations of the Torah. These four⁹ precepts are (1) to know that there is a First Cause, (2) to recognize that He is One, (3) to love Him, and (4) to fear Him. They are designated the Foundations of the Torah, for they are at once the purpose and the root of all the commandments, the observance of which is the whole end of man.

CHAPTER II

Beware, however, lest thou draw from this a wrong inference, arguing: "Seeing that these four precepts are root and end, what concern have I with the rest of the precepts? Surely it is good for me to lighten myself of the other 609 laws." God forbid that thou shouldst act thus! As the Lord liveth, *all* the precepts are of great profit,

⁶ Or, according to the other reading, "and He will raise thee in His chariot," etc.

⁷ I Chron. 28.9.

⁸ E. g. Exod. 20.2, Deut. 7 9; Ibn Kaspi (or the copyist) confuses two texts.

⁹ Maimonides really includes 10 precepts as the "Foundations". But the four to which Ibn Kaspi reduces them are not unjustifiably selected.

יעלה אותך במרכבתו להתקרב אליו בכל אשר
בכחך. אך כמו שאמר דוד ע"ה לשלמה בנוי¹⁴
אם תדרשנו ימצא לך:

ודע כי ידיעת ה' הנכבד שזכרתי לך היא המצוה
הראשיית לכל תרי"ג מצות שלנו כמו שכתוב וידעת
את¹⁵ ה' אלהיך. וזה יסוד לארבע המצות שסדר
המורה בראש ס' המדע. וקראם יסודי התורה.
והם לדעת שיש מצוי ראשון. ושהוא אחד. ולא הו¹⁶
וליראה ממנו. ונקראו אלה יסודי התורה כי הם
תכלית ועיקר לכל המצות. וזה סוף כל האדם:

פרק ב

השמר לך פן יהיה עם לבבך בליעל לאמר.
אחר שאלה הר' מצות הם העיקר והתכלית מה
לי וליתר המצות? הלא טוב לי שאקל מעלי תר¹⁷
מצות! חלילה לך מעשות כדבר הזה: חי ה' כי
יתר המצות¹⁸ כולם מועילות תועלות גדולות מצד

¹⁴ לבנו L.

¹⁵ So the MSS. read.

¹⁶ A, L וְלֹא־הֵבִיחַ.

¹⁷ תרי"ג L.

¹⁸ A omits these three words.

both in and for themselves and as reinforcements of the four basic rules. Thou canst not truly fulfil these four, unless thou fulfillest all the rest. If thou becomest proficient in philosophy, thou wilt understand that man is compounded of body and soul, and that the rational faculty, which belongs to the soul, is itself partly practical, partly speculative. Neither of these can exist without the other, just as the soul cannot exist without the body. For this reason the Commandments are divided first into those which effect the well-being of the body and those which effect the well-being of the soul, and secondly into the practical and speculative.

Maimonides has fully explained this in his Code and Guide.¹⁰ Our honored Sages were the first to point this out in several passages, and Aristotle expounded their words with perfect lucidity in his *Ethics*. The Greek philosopher lived during the Second Temple, and he learned from the Jewish Sages all the true things that he wrote. Nor do I remember that Aristotle departed from the tenets of the Rabbis except with regard to the eternity of the world and the question whether the sphere or the stars move. In the second case, the Rabbis admitted¹¹ that the heathen Sages had the correct opinion, [in the first Aristotle retracted his opinion]. And, in general, if thou livest and acquirest a knowledge of these matters, it will become clear to thee

¹⁰ In the *Hilkot Madda'* and in the *Guide for the Perplexed*, e. g. III, ch. 27.

¹¹ T. B. Pesahim 94; Shabb. 54.

עצמם ומצד הישרתם לאלה הארבע. ולא תוכל לקיים אלה הארבע קיום אמיתי אלא בקיום כל המצות: ואם תזכה לדעת החכמות על השלמות. אז תבין כי האדם מורכב מגוף ומנפש. ותדע כי הכח הדברי מן הנפש ממנו מעשי וממנו עיוני. ואין לאחד מאלו השנים קיום בלעדי חברו. וכן אין קיום לנפש בלעדי הגוף: ולכן נחלקו המצות תחלה לתקון הגוף ותקון הנפש ואחר למעשיות ולעיוניות: וכבר ביאר זה המורה באור שלם בס' המדע וכן בס' המורה: וזכרו זה תחלה רבותינו המכובדים במקומות מפוזרים. ובאר דבריהם אריסטו בס' המדות ביאור שלם: כי בזמן בית שני היה זה החכם¹⁹ ומהם למד בכל²⁰ מה שאמר אמת. ואין אני זוכר שיצא מגדר דבריהם רק בענין הקדמות ובענין מזלות חוזרין וגלגל קבוע²¹ שהורו הם בעצמם שבזה²² נצחו חכמי אומות לחכמי ישראל: ובכלל אם תחיה²³ ותזכה להבין הדברים

¹⁹ הדבר L.

²⁰ So H, B. L and A read וכל.

²¹ L קבועים. H as in text but reverses order.

²² H ובזה.

²³ L תרצה.

that not "in vain has the pen of the scribe made books!"¹²

CHAPTER III

I will give thee two simple illustrations in support of my injunction that thou must be diligent in fulfilling all the practical precepts.

The first example is this: Concerning the wearing of fringes the reason is given, "that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord."¹³ How, you may ask in bewilderment, can the sight of fringes on a garment call to mind all the Lord's commandments, among them the four named above? The reply is, Certainly this is so. Let me explain briefly, and in terms suited to thy youthful capacity. Man is not an angel that his reason should always be working perfectly. Nor is he a mule, that his reason should never be active at all. He may be termed hermaphrodite, metaphorically speaking, half angel, half mule. Hence neither angel nor mule was bidden to wear fringes! As our honored Rabbis said, God asked the angels, What have ye to do with the Torah?¹⁴ Man, however, received this and similar commandments, because he occupies an intermediate position, with his mind sometimes active, sometimes quiescent. The investiture of the fringed garment does recall all the precepts, until ultimately he remembers that God, blessed be He,

¹² Jer. 8.8.

¹³ Num. 15.39.

¹⁴ T. B. Shabb. 88, Ber. 28b.

תדע כי לא לשקר עשה עט סופרי ספרים:

פרק ג

אתן לך שני משלים קלים בחזק מה שצויתך להיות זהיר בכל המצות המעשיות:

המשל הראשון. כתוב בתורה במצות ציצית שהטעם הוא וראיתם אתו וזכרתם את כל מצות ה'. אולי תגע עדיך ותבהל איך בראיית הציצית נזכור כל מצות ה' שבכללם הארבע שקדם זכרם? התשובה כן הענין בלי ספק. ובאור זה בקצרה וכפי כחך היום. כי האדם אינו מלאך שיהיה שכלו²⁵ גמור בפעל תמיד. ואינו פרד²⁶ שלא יהיה שכלו²⁷ בכח²⁸ כלל. אבל הוא כמו אנדרוניוס חציו מלאך וחציו פרד על צד הקרוב. ולכן לא נצטוה בציצית לא המלאך ולא הפרד. ואמרו רבותינו המכובדים כי השי"ת אמר למלאכים תורה מה תהא לכם? אבל נצטוה בזה וכדומה²⁹ לזה האדם. להיותו³⁰ ממוצע כמו שאמרנו. והוא פעם שכל ופעם אינו שכל בפעל. וההתעטפות בציצית יזכירנו כל המצות. עד שיזכור באחרית כי השם

²⁴ Jer. 8. 8; The quotation is not exact. So H. reads עט שקר סופרים. ²⁵ H שכל. ²⁶ L פרא throughout.

²⁷ H שכל. ²⁸ A, L נכח. ²⁹ H וברו מר. ³⁰ H adds כמו.

is the First Cause. For the section relating to the fringes ends with the words: "I am the Lord thy God"—a truth thus made clear! This precept has other advantages, but above all is the statement of Scripture sure: "And ye shall look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord," the text ending with the result: "that ye go not about after your own heart and your own eyes." It was by neglect of such warnings that Solomon, of blessed memory, erred, for he said: "I will multiply horses and yet I will not turn aside from God."¹⁵ Take warning from this example.

My second example shall be a "light precept", to use our Sages' term¹⁶. I refer to the command to dwell in booths. The Torah assigns both the motive and the end: "that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the Land of Egypt."¹⁷ Observe how truth is a testimony to itself! The text does not say, because the children of Israel *dwell* in booths, nor does it say when they *came* out. But it does say, "because *I made them dwell*" and "*when I brought them out.*" Thus there is a reference back to God, the First Cause; as though to indicate that this precept was not merely intended to recall the facts of the departure from Egypt and dwelling in tents but to recall Him who brought out, Him who made to dwell! In other words the intention was that they should practically realize this truth, just as the four primary precepts enforce it in theory.

¹⁵ Deut. 17.16. Cf. T. B. Sanh. 21b.

ית' הואי הסבה הראשונה כמו שכתוב אנכי ה' אלהיך הוא אמת וברור: ולזאת המצוה תועלות אחרות. אבל על כל פנים אמת מה שכתוב בתורה וראיתם אותו וזכרתם את כל מצות ה'. וסיים ולא תתורו אחרי לבבכם ואחרי עיניכם: ובזה טעה שלמה ע"ה שאמר אני ארבה ולא אסור. והקש על זה:

והמשל השני במצוה קלה כמו שאמרו רבותינו. והיא מצות סוכה. ונתנה התורה טעמה ותועלתה ג"כ. ואמר³² למען ידעו דורותיכם כי בסוכות הושבתי את בני ישראל בהוציאי אותם מארץ מצרים. וראה איך האמת עד לעצמה כמו שפירשנו. כי לא אמר בסוכות ישבו בני ישראל ולא אמר ג"כ בצאתם. אבל אמר הושבתי וכן בהוציאי. שהוא כינוי להשי"ת שהוא הפועל הראשון. כלומר אין הטעם בזה כדי שזכר היציאה והשיבה לבד. רק שזכור³³ המוציא והמושיב:³⁴ והטעם כדי שידעו זה בפועל. וזה ענין ארבע מצות שזכרנו:

³¹ H שהוא. ³² L, A omit.

³³ B, A שזכיר. ³⁴ So H. Others והמשיב.

¹⁶ T. B. 'Abodah Zarah 3a.

¹⁷ Levit. 23.43.

So, in general, all the practical precepts, positive and negative, are helpful in many ways; but one of their most comprehensive services is that they bring to their doer's consciousness the four basic precepts summed up in the idea of Knowing God; sometimes keeping this knowledge with him, at others restoring it if he momentarily lose it. For these two operations both fall within the scope of the physician's art; to maintain health if it be present, to restore it if it be absent. And it is a familiar truth that sickness of the soul and its cure are analogous to the disease and healing of the body.¹⁸

CHAPTER IV

The thought may occur to thee: "I will perform all the practical commandments, and I will also uphold the four inner, rational principles, knowing them by way of tradition on the authority of Scripture." Well, one who so acts is righteous and sincere, and belongs to the category of the good man. But there is a better than he. For the idea of the Good is susceptible of the less and the more, as in the proposition: "Gold is better than silver." Pure gold, in the case before us, is he who performs all the practical laws, and who maintains the inner, rational principles in the manner befitting them, that is to say, he knows them by way of demonstration. Although the

¹⁸ Cf. Maim. *Eight Chapters*, 3; *De'ot* 2.

ובכלל כל המצות המעשיות הן עשה הן לא
 תעשה כולם מועילות תועלות רבות. ואחת
 מתועלותיהם הכוללות³⁵ היא כדי שנדע בפועל
 הד' מצות היסודיות שהסוג לכולם ידיעת ה'. וזה
 אם לשמרו עמנו תמיד אם להשיבו אלינו³⁶ אם
 נשמט ונשכח כרגע מה. כי אלו השתי פעולות הן
 בגדר הרפואה. רצוני שמירת הבריאות העומדת
 וההשבה אם סרה. וידוע כי חלי הנפש ורפואתה
 הולך על דרך חלי הגוף ורפואתו:

פרק ד

כי תאמר בלבבך אקיים³⁷ כל המצות המעשיות
 וגם אקיים³⁸ אלו הארבע מצות הלביות והעיוניות
 כי אדעם דרך קבלה כמו שכתוב בתורה. דע כי
 עושה אלה הוא צדיק תם³⁹ וישר ובכלל איש טוב
 הוא. אבל יש יותר טוב ממנו: כי הטוב מקבל
 פחות ויותר. ואין זה אלא כמו שנאמר שהזהב טוב
 מן הכסף. והנה הזהב הטהור הוא המקיים כל
 מצות המעשיות והמקיים הלביות והעיוניות כראוי
 להם. רצוני שידעם במופת. וכבר מנה המורה כי

להושיבו A. להשיב אליו H. L. B. So. ³⁵ הכוללת H. ³⁶ A. L. omit. ³⁷ נקיים L. ³⁸ אלו.

³⁹ A omits.

total number of the precepts is 613, Maimonides estimated that only sixty are of regular and general application¹⁹. This may be indicated symbolically by the verse: "Threescore are the queens."²⁰ Nay, if thou wilt probe the matter more deeply, thou wilt discover that the number of obligatory commandments is even less than sixty. Examine the *Book of the Commandments*, and thou wilt understand what I mean.

While he who fulfils all the precepts in the manner befitting them is perfectly good, he who does less than this attains by so much a lesser degree of good. Our Sages accordingly declared that "Every Israelite has a portion in the world to come."²¹ But the portions are unequal, else were God unjust.

CHAPTER V.

Hear, my son! the instruction of thy father—and hold firm to my injunction to perform the practical precepts, doing so in the manner befitting them—i. e. by practice. These laws thou must derive from the Bible, from the encyclopedic Code of Maimonides, and also from the Compendium of Alfasi. "Give a portion unto seven"²² and fix times for the study of the Talmud, as I shall further explain.

¹⁹ Maim. *Book of the Commandments*, end of section on "Affirmative Precepts".

²⁰ Song of Songs 6.8.

²¹ Mishnah, Sanh. 10.1.

²² Eccles. 11.2. The expression in the text refers no doubt to the seven liberal arts.

אעפ"י שהמספר הכולל הוא תרי"ג אין⁴⁰ מהם תמיד וכולל רק ששים. וסימן להם ששים המה מלכות. והנה כאשר תדקדק⁴¹ תמצא ההכרחיות יותר מעט מזה. תעיין בס' המצות ותבין זה: ובכלל כל⁴² המקיים המצות כלם כראוי להם הוא הטוב השלם. והפוחת מזה תהיה פחיתות מעלתו כפי פחיתות פעולתו. ולכן ארז"ל כל ישראל יש להם חלק לעה"ב. אבל אין החלקים שוים. כי אם אינו כן לא יהיו כל דרכיו משפטים⁴³:

פרק ה

שמע בני מוסר אביך. החזק במוסר לקיים המעשיות⁴⁴ כאשר צויתך. ואלה תקיימם כראוי. והוא המעשה. ותעמוד על אלה ממה שכתוב בתורה. ופירשם רבינו משה בס' הכולל משנה תורה וגם מה שחבר רב אלפסי. ותן חלק לשבעה⁴⁵ וקבע עתים לגמרא כמו שאודיעך עוד בע"ה⁴⁶:

⁴⁰ So B, H. A. L. איזה.

⁴¹ H adds יותר.

⁴² H כי.

⁴³ L omits from אבל to end of paragraph.

⁴⁴ A המצות.

⁴⁵ B, H omit.

⁴⁶ B, H omit.

But "if there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment," as regards any of these practical laws, follow the ordinance of Scripture²³, "Arise and get thee up into the place which the Lord thy God shall choose." Note the selection of terms. "Thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites and unto the judge," "and thou shalt *do* according to the tenor of the sentence which they shall declare unto thee." It is written, "thou shalt *do*", and not, "thou shalt *know*". The Scripture had previously defined the kind of law to which this rule -(of seeking expert advice) was to apply. It starts with a very wide category, "between blood and blood", and further adds "between plea and plea", another general category, and then qualifies by the phrase "even matters of controversy within thy gates." The implication is that we are not all bound to know every detail of the law of the "four bailees"²⁴, of "claimant and respondent", of "loan and deposit". Acquaintance with such matters is commendable, yet is it enough for us if there be available in our age a judge or judges familiar with the law, who "shall judgethepeople at all times."²⁵ That is to say, if I am able to pass my whole life without litigation, then ignorance of the law as to disputes is no defect in my soul. And if, God forbid, contention should arise between me and another and I go before one of the Rabbis expert in these affairs, again it is no defect at all

²³ Deut. 17.8.

²⁴ Mishnah Baba Mezi'a 7.8, etc.

²⁵ Exod. 18.22.

וכי יפלא דבר ממך מאלה המעשיות עשה כמו
 שאמרה תורה. וקמת ועלית וגו' ובאת אל הכהנים
 הלויים ואל השופט אשר יהיה בימים ההם וגו' ועשית
 על פי הדבר אשר יגידו לך וגו': ראה הפלגת זה
 הלשון. כי אמר ועשית ולא אמר וידעת. וכן פרט
 תחלה על איזה מצוה יתנהג כן. ואמר סוג כולל
 מאד והוא בין דם לדם ואמר עוד בין דין לדין
 שהוא כלל אחר ואמר דברי ריבות בשעריך:
 והמשל בזה כי אינו הכרח שנדע כולנו על כל פנים
 דין ארבעה שומרים. או כל הלכות טוען ונטען
 שאלה ופקדון. ואם הידיעה הזאת טובה. רק"
 די לנו אם יש לנו בימינו שופט או שופטים ידעו
 זה ושפטו את העם בכל עת: וזה כי אם אוכל לשבת
 כל ימי ודבר אין לי עם אדם מענין ריב ומדון לא
 יהיה חסרון בנפשי כי לא ידעתי אלה הדינים. ואם
 ח"ו יארע לי ריב עם זולתי אלכה לי אל אחד
 מהרבנים היודעים דינים אלו. אין זה חסרון בנפשי

⁴⁷ A omits רק, L omits that and following 3 words.

in my soul. As the Sage Ibn Ezra remarks: "If all men were righteous, there would be no need for the tractate concerning Torts." Yet it would certainly be a defect in my soul if, when occasion arose for applying the law, I transgressed it.

On the other hand, as God liveth, the case is quite different with regard to the inner, speculative precepts. For their whole substance and being consists in the knowledge of them personally, by every individual, and this knowledge must be a continuous, rational apprehension. Nor does this of itself constitute perfection of fulfillment. This rational apprehension must be fortified by irrefutable proofs. For the knowledge of God, of His existence and His unity, means proven knowledge. Otherwise the term used ought to be "thought," "opinion," or "think," and not in the true sense unqualified "knowledge." Thus Maimonides avoids the terms "believe," "opine" and uses the term "know," after the Scriptural analogy: "Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God."²⁶

CHAPTER VI

[When elsewhere Maimonides does use the term *faith*, the sense in which he employs it is clear]. In his *Guide for the Perplexed* Part I, ch. 50, he writes: "When reading my present treatise, bear in mind that by *faith* we do not understand that which is merely uttered with the lips, but that which is apprehended by the soul, the

²⁶ Deut. 4.39. Compare and contrast Mendelssohn's view in his *Jerusalem*. Cf. also Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*.

כלל. ואמר החכם אבן עזרא. אלו היינו כלנו צדיקים. לא נצטרך למסכת נזיקין. אבל יהיה חסרון בנפשי אם אעבור על זה⁴⁸ הדין:

ואמנם במצות הלביות והעיוניות לא כן חי ה'! כי כל עצמם ומהותם⁴⁹ הידיעה הנפשית אשר⁵⁰ לאיש ואיש וזה בפועל תמיד ציור שלם ודבוק שכלי. וגם זה אינו שלימות גמור אלא אם כן תדע זה במופתים והקשים הכרחיים. ולכן אמרה התורה וידעת את ה' אלהיך. ואמר המורה לדעת שיש שם מצוי ראשון ולדעת שהוא אחד: וגדר שם הידיעה הוא הידיעה המופתית. כי זולת זה יקרא מחשבה או סברא לא ידיעה בסתם על דרך האמת: והנה המורה לא אמר להאמין או לסבור או לחשוב רק לדעת כלשון התורה וידעת:⁵¹

פרק ו

אמר המורה בפרק נ' מראשון. דע אתה המעיין במאמרי זה כי ההאמנה אינה הענין הנאמר בפה⁵² אבל הענין המצוייר בנפש כשיאמינו בו שהוא כן

⁴⁸ B, A, H omit על זה. ⁴⁹ A, L ומחוכם.

⁵⁰ H. omits. ⁵¹ L בידעת התורה וכונתה.

⁵² B, H omit.

conviction that the object of belief is exactly as it is apprehended." To which he adds: "If in addition to this we are convinced that the thing cannot be different in any way from that which we believe it to be, and that no reasonable argument can be found for the negation of the belief or for the admission of any deviation from it, then the belief is true." When, again, in ch. 55, Maimonides discusses the kinds of attributes which are inapplicable to God, seeing that their application implies imperfection, he uses these expressions: "He who knows these things, but without their proofs, does not know the particulars which logically result from these general propositions; he will not be able to prove that God exists." Further Maimonides remarks in ch. 60: "But you must be careful in what you negative, to negative by proof, not by mere words, for each time you ascertain by proof that a certain thing, imagined to exist in the Creator, must be negated, you have undoubtedly come one step nearer to the knowledge of God." In fine, Maimonides here and in many other passages, and in agreement with all authoritative philosophers, asserts that perfect knowledge is only attainable when the mind's apprehensions are *demonstrated*.

כמו שיצוייר: ועוד אמר ואם יגיע⁵³ עם זאת האמונה שאי אפשר חלוף זאת האמונה בשום פנים ולא ימצא בשכל מקום דחיה לאמונה ההיא ולא לשער אפשרות חלופה תהיה אמיתית: עוד פרק נ"ה על ידיעת הדברים שראוי שירוחקו מהאל להיותם מונעים השלימות מאתו ית' אמר דבר זה לשונו. ואם ידע אלו הדברים ולא ידעם במופתיהם לא⁵⁴ ידע הפרטים המתחייבים מאלו ההקדמות הכלליות חיוב הכרחי. ולזה⁵⁵ לא יהיה אצלו מופת במציאת האלוה: עוד אמר בפרק כ' והשמר מאד שתוסיף שלילת מה שתשלול במופת לא שתשלול⁵⁶ בדבור בלבד. כי כל אשר תתבאר⁵⁷ לך במופת שלילת דבר שיחשב מציאותו לשם ממנו תקרב⁵⁸ אליו מדרגה בלא ספק. ובכלל הנה המורה בזה ובמקומות רבים וכל הפילוסופים השלמים הסכימו שלא יקרא ידיעה שלימה רק בידיעת אלו הציורים השכליים במופת:

⁵³ L יהיה.

⁵⁴ H has ולא.

⁵⁵ H לזה.

⁵⁶ H omits three words.

⁵⁷ H כאשר התבאר.

⁵⁸ B, H קרבת.

CHAPTER VII

When then we are bidden to know that there is a First Cause, how can this knowledge be obtained except by arguments and proofs which no sceptic can dispute? Our Sages ordained that the duty of studying the Torah is to be pursued to that very extent.²⁷ Again, how can I know that God is One, as is constantly proclaimed in our prayers, unless I know what constitutes unity, as it is expounded in the *Guide* and in the *Metaphysics* [of Aristotle]? Maimonides explains that the idea of unity does not attach to the sphere, nor to any of the separate Intelligences, nor even to the highest Intelligence which moves the diurnal sphere. Unity applies to God alone, who is above this highest Intelligence. Aristotle proved all this irrefutably; hence Maimonides burned with a mighty zeal when he saw that Aristotle had presumed to interpret our precious truths, attributing the exposition to himself, while he stole it all from the books written on the subject by King Solomon and others.²⁸ Maimonides was therefore impelled to compose his comprehensive treatise, the *Guide*, in which he includes these precepts

²⁷ Obviously Ibn Kaspi (with Maimonides) had before him the version of Mishnah Abot 2.14 (in which the imperative וְיָדַע is omitted, and which ran:—"Be diligent to learn Torah wherewith thou mayest make answer to Epicurus"). Cf. the Notes of the Tosafot Yomtob and C. Taylor to the passages.

²⁸ For this notion that Greek philosophy was derived from Hebrew sources, see above p. 129.

פרק ז

והנה צונו שנדע שיש שם מצוי ראשון. ואיך אדע⁵⁹ זה שהוא אמת אלא אם כן אדע זה בטענות וראיות שלא יוכל אפיקורוס לחלוק עלי⁶⁰? כמו שצונו רבותינו ז"ל. שער זה הגבול הוא חיוב למידתנו את התורה⁶¹: וכן איך אדע שהוא אחד שנאמר תמיד בקריאת שמע אלא אם כן אדע מהו האחד כמו שהתבאר בספר המורה וספר מה שאחר הטבע? כי שם התבאר שהגלגל אינו אחד. וכן אחד מן⁶² השכלים הנפרדים⁶³ אינו אחד. ואף לא השכל העליון המניע הגלגל היומי. ואין שם אחד רק האל ית' לבדו שהוא למעלה⁶⁴ מזה השכל: וכל זה התבאר במופתים שאין בס' בספרי⁶⁵ האלהות לאריסטו: על כן קנא הרב השלם להשם⁶⁶ קנאה גדולה כאשר ראה שאריסטו התנשא לפרש המצות היקרות שלנו. וייחס פירושם לעצמו תחת אשר גנב כל זה מספרי שלמה וזולתו שחזקו בענין זה: ולכן חבר השלם ס' המורה שהוא כולל פי'

לימודתנו בתורה ⁶¹ A, L עליו ⁶⁰ A, L נדע ⁵⁹ H, B

השלם. ⁶⁴ L ⁶³ H omits. ⁶² A, L omit.

לנו. ⁶⁶ B, A omit. H ⁶⁵ B, H בדברי. In other contexts the readings vary between ספר and ספרי.

and their proofs, just as he had previously given in his Code a survey of all the other precepts.

Now how can any of us be said to appreciate the meaning of Unity as applied to God unless we have an inner understanding of the declaration so often on our lips that The Lord our God is One; unless we know, and know by demonstration, that this One is not the mover of the diurnal sphere but a power above it? So, too, with the precepts to love God and to fear Him. We are not to love God as a man loves his wife and children; not to fear Him as we fear a human being. But these emotions, as applied in our relation to God, need definition, of the kind supplied in the works of Maimonides. But to acquire the necessary knowledge a study of the natural sciences and metaphysics is indispensable.

Abraham, our first father, whom God termed His friend,²⁹ was the man who discovered for himself, by aid of his fine intelligence, this universal principle of ours: that above the celestial sphere there is a Unique Being. So, our Sages said, Abraham recognized His Creator when he was forty years of age.³⁰ This recognition, they would have us understand, was made by Abraham from actual demonstration; for it was not a tradition from his father, nor did he acquire it from his contemporaries. He originated the idea, while his contemporaries believed the physical sun to

²⁹ Isa. 41.8.

³⁰ The common reading in *Genesis Rabbah*, ch. xxx, is "forty-eight years of age", but Ibn Kaspi, like Maim., had the reading "forty". Cf. Theodor's note, p. 274.

אלו המצות ומופתיהם כמו שקדם לו ס' משנה תורה
שהוא כולל פי' שאר המצות:

ואמנם מי מכולנו מבין ענין היחודי⁶⁷ באל ית'
עד שנדע בלבנו מה כוונת אמרנו תמיד שמע
ישראל ה' אלהינו ה' אחד. עד שנדע שזה האחד
אינו הגלגל המניע היומי אבל הוא מה שהוא למעלה
מזה כל שכן כשנדע זה במופת: וכן מצות לאהבה
את ה'. כי אין הטעם שנאהוב אותו כדרך אהבתנו
אל נשינו ובנינו. וכן שנירא ממנו כמו שנירא מאחד
מן האנשים. אבל כמו שפירש⁶⁸ המורה במדע
ובמורה. ואין מי שידע⁶⁹ זה או יבין זה אלא
היודעים ספרי הטבע ומה שאחר הטבע:

והנה אברהם אבינו הראשון שקראו השם
אוהבו⁷⁰ הוא המציא מעצמו בדקות שכלו זאת
האמונה שלנו הכוללית. שעל הגלגל יש מצוי שהוא
אחד. ולכן אמרו בן ארבעים שנה הכיר אברהם
את בוראו. והכוונה בפעל במופת. כי זאת ההכרה
לא היתה לו בקבלה מאביו תרח או מזולתו מבני
דורו. כי הוא היה המחדש⁷¹ אותה. וכולם⁷²

⁶⁷ B האחד.

⁶⁸ B, H שפירשם.

⁶⁹ B, H ומי ידע.

⁷⁰ A, L אוהבי.

⁷¹ H מחדש.

⁷² H כלם.

be divine. Abraham, in the rabbinical story, appealed to argument and proof; he did not say to the others, I believe it, I have been told in a dream that I ought to think so and so true. "Look unto Abraham your father," cries Isaiah.³¹ Assuredly it becomes us to imitate him. I am far from asserting that all men can reach the level of Abraham, but I do say that his level is the highest and most excellent though, as I have admitted above, those who stand below it are also good.

CHAPTER VIII

But I command thee, dear son of mine, to rise up, if thou canst, to this, the highest level. My son! be wise and make my heart glad!³²

CHAPTER IX

Yet, let not the fact that these works expound those four precious precepts, hurry thee to a premature study of the *Guide* or of Aristotle's *Metaphysics*. Not so my son! By gradual steps shalt thou rise to Truth. Not in a rush canst thou compass the whole ascent; slips and setbacks may impede thy progress. This is pointed out in the *Guide*, I 34, and in other places, as thou wilt hereafter see.

³¹ Isa. 51.2.

³² Prov. 27.11. The author intimates the importance he attaches to this counsel by devoting a whole chapter to it.

זולתו היו מאמינים שהגלגל שהוא גשם היה אלוה. ולכן טען כנגדם טענות מופתיות. לא שאמר להם אני מאמין כך וכך או חלום חלמתי שראוי להאמין כך וכך: לכן ראוי לנו שנתדמה אל אבינו הראשון. הביטו אל אברהם אביכם: ואין אני אומר שכל בני הזמן יוכלו להגיע אל זאת המדרגה. אבל אומר אני שזאת המדרגה היא היותר טובה והעליונה. ואשר למטה מזה טובים גם כן כמו שקדם לנו:

פרק ח

אבל אצוך בני היקר לי שתעלה אם תוכל אל המדרגה⁷³ היותר עליונה. חכם בני ושמח לבי!

פרק ט

לבך אל ימהר להתחיל⁷⁴ בלימוד ספר המורה וס' מה שאחר הטבע לאריסטו. בעבור שאלו הספרים מודיעים אלו הארבע מצות היקרות. לא כן בני! מעט מעט תעלה אל האמתיות. לא תוכל כלותם מהר פן תרבה עליך הטעיות והשבושים. וכבר באר זה המורה בספרו הנכבד פרק ל"ד מראשון. ובמקומות אחרים כמו שתראה עוד:

⁷³ H המעלה.

⁷⁴ H, B omit.

CHAPTER X

My son! Keep my words!³³ To-day thou art twelve years of age. For another two years be a diligent student of the Scriptures and Talmud. When thou art fourteen, fix regular hours for continuing thy previous studies, and give also a good part of thy time to mathematics; first Ibn Ezra's Arithmetic, then Euclid, and the Astronomical treatise of Al-Fergani and [Abraham b. Hiyya]³⁴. Besides, appoint set times for reading moral books, which will introduce thee to all good qualities—viz. the Books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes, the Mishnaic tractate *Fathers*, with the Commentary of Maimonides and his preface thereto, and the same author's Introductory chapters to the Code. Also read Aristotle's *Ethics*, of which I have made a digest. There is also available among us the Collection of the *Maxims of the Philosophers*.

This course should occupy thee for two years. Then, when thou art sixteen, appoint times for the Scriptures, for the writings of Alfasi, Moses of Coucy, and the Code of the perfect teacher (Maimonides). Also give much time to Logic. With the help of God I will make a compendium on this subject, sufficient for thy needs, as I did with the *Ethics*.

³³ Prov. 7.1.

³⁴ On the works named in the context see Steinschneider, *Hebr. Uebersetzungen*, §§ 343, 350, 502. On the Jewish educational schemes, cf. I. Abrahams, *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages*, chs. xix, xx.

פרק י

בני שמור אמרי! הנך היום בן שנים עשרה שנה.
 לכן שקוד בתורה במקרא ובגמרא עוד שתי שנים
 אחר כן.⁷⁵ ואתה בן י"ד שנה קבע עתים לכל מה
 שקדם. ותן חלק גדול לחכמות הלמודיות. וזה תחלה
 ס' המספר מאבן עזרא ואחריו ס' האקלידס ואחריו
 ס' אלפראגאני וחשבון המהלכות. עם קבעך⁷⁶
 עתים בספרים המוסריים⁷⁷ המישרים אורחותיך
 במדות⁷⁸. והם ס' משלי וקהלת ומס' אבות עם
 פרוש המורה והקדמתו. וכן הלכות דעות מס'
 המדע וכן ס' המדות לארסטו אשר עשיתי ממנו
 קיצור. וכן ס' אחר נמצא אצלינו המקבץ מוסרי
 הפלוסופים:

הנה כל זה תבין בב' שנים. ואתה בן י"ו
 שנה תקבע עתים לתורה ולמקרא ולספרי הרב
 אלפאסי וס' רבינו משה מקוצי וס' משנה תורה מן
 הרב השלם: ותן חלק גדול למלאכת ההגיון. ובע"ה
 אעשה לך קיצור מזאת המלאכה יספוק לך⁷⁹
 כמו שעשיתי קיצור מס' המדות:

⁷⁵ H puts stop at שנים and omits כן, begins new clause with אחר, and so in all similar contexts.

⁷⁶ A and L read קבע וגם. ⁷⁷ B במוסריים. ⁷⁸ A, L בכל. ⁷⁹ B, H omit. המדות.

In this way thou shouldst pass another two years, by which time thou wilt be eighteen years old. Then review all thy former work, and study natural science. By that date, being twenty years of age, "build thy house". Do not intermit the reading of moral books, but also take up theology, i. e., the *Metaphysics* of Aristotle and his disciples, as well as the *Guide* of Maimonides.

Marry a wife of good family, beautiful in form and in character. Pay no regard to money, for true wealth consists only of a sufficiency of bread to eat and raiment to wear. Why weary thyself to gain great riches, when neither thou nor any other could equal the vast store accumulated by the great mountain in our native city l'Argentière³⁵, even though that mountain is but a soul-less heap! Rather occupy thy mind continually with books of morals; I need not here repeat their lessons, but they will instruct thee as to the meaning of real wealth and as to other matters. Observe their injunctions faithfully. Above all things be chaste, just as thy father has been before thee. And use thy endeavors to live a virtuous life, and to order well thy home with thy wife and the children whom, God willing, thou shalt beget; in all things obeying the injunctions of the moralists. Never fail to read

³⁵ See above, p. 127.

ובזה תתמיד שני שנים אחרים. ואתה בן י"ח שנה
תקבע עתים לכל מה שקדם. ושקוד בחכמת הטבע
ובזה תתמיד שתי שנים אחר ובנית ביתך. ואתה
בן עשרים שנים. אל תרף ירך מן העיון במוסרים⁸⁰
ותתחיל באלהיות.⁸¹ הם ספרים⁸² מה שלאחר
הטבע לארסטו ותלמידיו וס' המורה:

אך קח לך אשה מבנות היחס. נאה בגופה
ובמעשיה. ולא תתן עיניך בממון. כי העושר אינו
רק ההסתפקות לחם לאכול ובגד ללבוש. ולמה
תיגע בני להשיג כסף רב ולא תוכל אתה ולא זולתך
להגיע אל הגבול שהשיג מזה ההר הגדול אשר
בכספיה המקום עיר מולדתנו. עם היות ההר ההוא
רומם שאינו בעל נפש כלל: על כן צויתך להגות
תמיד במוסרים. ואין רצוני להעתיקם בכאן. הלא
הם יורוך על זה ועל כל הראוי. ועל כל פנים
שמור כל הכתוב בהם: ועל הכל בני השמר לך
מהסתכל בנשים כאשר נשמר אביך: אך בכלל
תכלכל דבריך במשפט בסדור ביתך עם אשתך
ובניך אשר תוליד אם ירצה הבורא על פי הרברים
אשר יגידו לך הספרים⁸³ המוסרים. ועל כל פנים

באלו A, L בספרים. ⁸¹ B here and elsewhere spells באלו. So H, though not so consistently. ⁸² A, L ספר.

⁸³ B, H omit.

a section of some ethical book daily after every meal, having first blessed the Lord. Above all set thy thought on that highest of attainments, the Knowledge of God, as expounded in the *Guide*, and in the *Vessels of Silver*, which, if God grant me life, I will make for thee.³⁶ "Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God."³⁷ In this course persist until the day of thy death. Ascending above the heavens, thou shalt then find entry into the company of the angelic spirits, into a delight which cannot be measured!

CHAPTER XI

There are, my son! two dispositions among contemporary Jews which must be firmly avoided by thee.

The first class consists of sciolists, whose studies have not gone far enough. They are destroyers and rebels; scoff at the words of the Rabbis of blessed memory, treat the practical precepts as of little account, and accept unseemly interpretations of biblical narratives. These men are false, through and through. They testify unmistakably against themselves that they are ill-acquainted with the philosophical writings of Aristotle and his disciples. This is obvious to those who are really familiar with those writings. I call heaven and earth to witness that I may

³⁶ Ibn Kaspi's *Ten Vessels of Silver* have been published by Isaac Last in 2 vols. (Pressburg, 1903).

³⁷ Prov. 2.5.

תקרא חלק מה מהם כל ימי חיך אחר גמר כל
 סעודה אחר וברכת את ה' אלהיך: ובכלל שקוד
 על טוב המדות. והם הדעות האלהיות כאשר תבין
 מספר המורה ומן הספרים כלי כסף אשר אעשה
 לך אם יחיני האל. אז תבין יראת ה' ודעת אלהים⁸⁴
 תמצא: ובוזה תתמיד עד יום מותך. ותעלה אז מעל
 לשמים. ותכנס בכת המלאכים הרוחניים בתענוג
 לא ישוער:

פרק יא

בני! שתיים המה קוראותינו בתכונות בני הזמן
 מעמנו. בני אל תלך בדרך אתם. מנע רגלך
 מנתיבתם. המין האחד המתפלספים מבני עמנו.
 תלמידים אשר לא שמשו כל צרכם. הורסים
 בעיונם. ופורצים בלמודם. ומלעיגים על דברי
 חכמינו ז"ל. ומקילים במצות המעשיות ועושים
 ציורים לספורים בלתי ראויים. ואלו מזוייפים
 מתוכם ומעידים עדות נאמנה על נפשם שאינם
 יודעים ספרי החכמות שחבר ארסטו ותלמידיו
 כמו שמבואר זה למי שידעם: ואני מעיד עלי שמים

⁸⁴ So H. Others קדושים.

claim some not³⁸ inconsiderable scientific attainments. That being so, I swear by Him who lives eternally that Aristotle, his fellows, and his disciples, advocate all that is contained in the Torah and the Prophets, and particularly the performance of the practical precepts. For Plato said: "Slay him who is without Law³⁹;" and again, "Prayer is a halter to the lustful soul;" and yet again: "We cannot [by reason alone] reach the level of the prophets." Aristotle observes: "The end is not merely to know, but to know and do, receive and believe, all that is contained in the true Torah;" pry not too closely into possible causes and senses of the commands and prohibitions, nor dispute over them, for the Prophets, on whom be peace, knew all things from God, which is not the case with metaphysicians. This is the gist of their pronouncements; they said much more of the same kind.⁴⁰ Against these famous Saints of the Gentiles we have no possible complaint, and therefore our Sages asserted concerning them that they have a portion in the world to come.⁴¹

And note further how Aristotle, who at first derived his theory of the eternity of the world rationally, afterwards adopted the belief in Creation, expounded as it is in the Torah by those possessed of the prophetic soul, which is higher than the

³⁸ Some texts omit "not".

³⁹ Or: "religion."

⁴⁰ On these "quotations" from Plato and Aristotle see above, p. 129.

⁴¹ Tosefta, Sanh. 13.2.

וארץ כי אין⁸⁵ אני מקטני חכמי הזמן. ואני נשבע
 בחיי העולם כי ארסטו וחביריו ותלמידיו כולם
 מזהירים לשמור כל מה שבתורה וברברי הנביאים
 ובפרט להזהר במעשיות: ואמר אפלטון הרגו מי
 שאין לו דת. ואמר עוד התפלה⁸⁶ רסן הנפש
 המתאוה. ואמר עוד אנחנו לואים להבין מה שבא
 בתורה על ידי הנביאים: ואמר ארסטו אין הכונה⁸⁷
 שתדע לבר אבל שתדע ותעשה ותקבל ותאמין
 כל מה שבא בתורה האמיתית. ולא תעמיק מאוד⁸⁸
 לבקש טעמים וסבות למצותיה ואזהרותיה ולא
 תקשה לדבר שיונח בה. כי הנביאים ידעו הכל
 מאת אדון הכל. ולא כן אנחנו הפילוסופים חכמי
 העיון: זהו תורף דבריהם וזולת זה כהם וכהם.
 ולא נשאר⁸⁹ על אלה הנכבדים חסידי אומות
 העולם תרעומות אחרי כל זה. ולכן אמרו רבותינו
 ז"ל עליהם שיש להם חלק לעוה"ב:

והנה הקדמות הניח ארסטו מצד עיון הנפש.
 ואחר נכנע לאמונת החדוש כי בא בתורה מצד

⁸⁵ B, H omit.

⁸⁶ B התעלה.

⁸⁷ So H adds. ⁸⁸ B תמיד.

⁸⁹ B, H omit and read הנשאר ולא.

rational faculty. The text says: "Whoso confesseth and forsaketh his transgressions shall obtain mercy."⁴² But the sciolists who lightly esteem the precepts and the words of our Sages, will have to pay the penalty for their offence. They will be called to account, too, for the occasion they have given to the ignorant to scoff at philosophy, thereby profaning the name of heaven!

The second class referred to above includes those of our people who hold in contempt genuine philosophy as presented in the works of Aristotle and his like. They know not that they are speaking against their own soul! For these sciences were originally *ours*. Witness, how these sciences interpret and verify the precepts of our Torah; and further, how many of them are scattered in the haggadot of the Talmud, and the other rabbinic books, above all in the *Guide*, composed by Rabbi Moses, the father in Torah, the father in wisdom. And whom have we greater than Moses?⁴³ Now, my son! I do not blame this class because they devote all their time to the talmudic argumentation, for as Ibn Janaḥ said: "Every man deserves praise for his labor, eulogy for his effort." But I do blame them because they despise science and those engaged in its study.

⁴² Prov. 28.13.

⁴³ Ibn Kaspi's whole-hearted esteem of Maimonides is noticeable throughout the Testament.

בעלי הנפש הנבואית.⁹⁰ שהיא למעלה מן העיונית. והכתוב אומר ומורה ועוזב ירוחם: ובכלל השחיתו התעיבו עלילה אלה התעלולים המקילים במצות ובדברי רבותינו ז"ל. ועתידים הם ליתן את הדין על זה ועל אשר נתנו יד להמוני⁹¹ לבזות החכמות וחללו שם שמים:

המין האחר הוא הנמצאים מעמנו שיבזו החכמות המיוסדות בספרי⁹² ארסטו וחביריו. ולא ידעו כי בנפשם ידברו⁹³. כי אלה החכמות היו שלנו מקדם והער על זה כי הם פירוש ומופת למצות תורתנו. ועוד כי רובן מפוזרות בהנדרות⁹⁴ בנמרא ובשאר ספריהם. וכל שכן בס' המורה שחבר רבינו משה אב בתורה אב בחכמה. ומי לנו גדול ממשה? והנה בני זה המין אין אני מגנה אותם בהיותם משימים כל ימיהם בשקלא וטריא מן הגמרא. וכל אחד כמו שאמר אבן נאנח מהולל על טרהו ומשובח על יגיעו. אבל אני מגנה אותם כי יבזו החכמות ולומדיהם:

⁹⁰ B, L הנביאית.

⁹¹ B, H להאמין.

⁹² L וספרי המיוחסות A. המיוחסות לספרו.

⁹³ L ודו. ⁹⁴ B omits. H inserts before מפוזרות.

CHAPTER XII

My son! When thou meetest such men, address them thus: My masters! What sin did your fathers detect in the study of logic and philosophy? First as to logic. This art does not touch precepts or faith. As its name implies, it simply regulates and gives precision to the use of language. Is it a terrible crime to use words with accuracy? Do thistles grow on fig trees? 'Tis absurd to imagine that our Rabbis in their warning against logic⁴⁴, were thinking of this genuine discipline. For our Sages never laid an embargo on the good. Yet those who would fain evade the trouble of thinking "are glad when they can find the grave"⁴⁵ of sloth! And then, what say ye of the work of Aristotle and Maimonides? Have you examined the inside of their books? If ye know more than their covers, ye know of a surety that the books are an exposition and justification of our precious precepts. And if, God forbid, ye find something indigestible in these works, cast it out while eating the wholesome rest. So is it recorded of R. Meir: He ate the kernel, and threw away the husk.⁴⁶ This is the method pursued nowadays by Christian scholars. They highly esteem the

⁴⁴ T. B. Berakot 28b.

⁴⁵ Job 3.24. ⁴⁶ Hagigah 9b.

פרק יב

בני כי תבא באנשים אמור להם. רבותי! מה מצאו אבותיכם עול במלאכת ההגיון ובמלאכת⁹⁵ העיונית? וזה תחלה בהגיון שאין בה⁹⁶ דבר נוגע למצוה ואמונה רק דקדוק הדבור והישרתו כמו שידוע מגדרה⁹⁷. היש בהישרת הדבור עול ועוות? האם יש קוצים בתאנים? וחלילה כי מזאת החכמה האמתית אמרו⁹⁸ רז"ל מנעו בניכם מן ההגיון. כי הם לא מנעו הטוב⁹⁹ ממנו¹⁰⁰. אמנם השמחים להקל מעליהם טורח הידיעה ישישו כי ימצאו קבר העצלה: ואחרי כן מה תאמרו מספר הטבע¹⁰¹ ומה שאחר הטבע וספר המורה? ואין אחר מהם להם נראה¹⁰² מבחוץ אף כי שוה מבפנים^{102a}. ואלו ידעתם אותם תמצאו בם פירוש ומופת על מצותינו היקרות כמו שקדם: ואם ח"ו יש באחד מאלה דבר קשה אליכם השליכו אותו וקחו טוב השאר¹⁰³. כי כן נאמר על רבי מאיר תוכו אכל קליפתו זרק. וכן יעשו חכמי הנוצרים.

⁹⁵ H omits these two words.

⁹⁶ A, L omit these 5 words and read **כי אין בהם**.

⁹⁷ H ממורה. ⁹⁸ L לא אמרו, A יאמרו. ⁹⁹ H adds והאמת.

¹⁰⁰ A מעמנו. L ממנו מעמנו. ¹⁰¹ A, L השמע.

¹⁰² A, L לפי הנראה. ^{102a} Read **מה שבפנים**, as the text seems corrupt. ¹⁰³ A ואכלו טוב. L ואכלו הטוב. H omits וקחו.

Guide, although it contains certain passages opposed to the Christian faith.⁴⁷

CHAPTER XIII

Continue thy argument with them in these terms: I beg you to hear me, my masters! If ye are advanced in years, and have not yet read the words of the philosophers who demonstrate, clearly and indisputably, the four primary precepts, of which I have spoken, then open your eyes before the sun be darkened! Men asked the Sage whether it was becoming to an old man to learn; and he answered, "If ignorance is discreditable to him, learning is an ornament."⁴⁸ Should such a course involve any shame, our honored Rabbis have already given the admonition: Better be ashamed here than hereafter!⁴⁹ Why, my masters, do ye regard the jibes of women, or of men who play the woman, when they cry: See this grey-beard gone again to school! What have ye in common with such people? Will they go with you, and take you on your way to the future world whose duration is eternal? Or shall a man redeem his brother? What concern have we with those children of this age who must die tomorrow, and who even now, in their lives, are called dead? How are we affected by the respect or scorn of the ignorant?

⁴⁷ On the vogue of Maimonides in Christian and Mohammedan circles see Yellin and Abrahams, *Maimonides*, ch. xii and the references in note 92.

⁴⁸ *Choice of Pearls*, ch. i (end).

⁴⁹ T. B. Kidd. 81a.

כל שכן שהם מנשאים ספר המורה ואם יש בו דברים סותרים לאמונת הנוצרים:

פרק יג

עוד תשוב ואמרת אליהם. שמעו¹⁰⁴ רבותי! אם באתם בימים ולא ראיתם עדיין דברי החכמים המודיעים במופתים וראייות ברורות ואמיתיות¹⁰⁵ אותן הארבע מצות הנכבדות. פקחו עיניכם בם¹⁰⁶ עד אשר לא תחשך השמש: ושאלו לחכם אם נאה לזקן שילמוד? והשיב אם הסכלות גנאי לו הלמוד נאה לו: ואם בשום פנים יש בושת מה בענין זה כבר יסרונו רבותינו המכובדים מוטב ליכסיף בהאי עלמא ולא ליכסיף בעלמא דאתא. ולמה רבותי תשימו¹⁰⁷ לב לדברי הנשים או האנשים אשר דרך נשים להם. כי יאמרו ראו זה הרב והרבן גם שב גם ישיש האדם הגדול חשבנוהו¹⁰⁸. ועתה הוא לומד ועושה לו רב? מה לכם ולהם? האם ילכו אלה וילוו אתכם לעולם הבא שכולו ארוך? או אח פדה יפדה איש? ומה לנו ולדברי בני הזמן שמחר יהיו כולם מתים ומה גם עתה בחייהם קרויים מתים? ומה לנו

¹⁰⁴ L, H בבעו.

¹⁰⁵ B, H אמתת.

¹⁰⁶ A, L omit.

¹⁰⁷ B, H חשיתו.

¹⁰⁸ A, L וחשבנוהו.

As our Rabbis of blessed memory have said:
 "Words neither kill nor quicken!"⁵⁰

CHAPTER XIV

I will confess to thee, my son! that though in my youth I learned a great portion of the Talmud, I did not acquire (for my sins!) a knowledge of all the posekim.⁵¹ Now that I am old and grey, I have often to consult rabbis younger than myself. Why should I be ashamed of this? Can one man be skilled in every craft? If, for instance, I want a gold cup, I go to the goldsmith, and I feel no shame; and so with other products, I turn, in case of need, to those whom God has gifted with the requisite skill.

Once I made a great feast at which all kinds of delicacies were served. I had the table prepared, I invited my friends to eat and drink with me, for it was a family party. Then the luckless handmaid put a milk spoon into the meat pot. I did not know the ritual law, how one ought to estimate the lawfully permissible proportion of intermixture.⁵² Perturbed in mind, as well as famished in body, I went to one of the rabbis,

⁵⁰ This saying does not seem to occur in extant rabbinic books; Ibn Kaspi quotes the saying more than once in his works.

⁵¹ Authorities on practical law.

⁵² T. B. Hullin 97b. Literally: "The law was hid-

¹¹³ L reads *ולא אבוש כי לכל איש ואיש אומנותו יפה בעיניו*.

¹¹⁴ B *טבחתי את טבחי צאן ובקר* H *טבחתי את טבחי ומרי ת'* ומרי תרנגולות.

¹¹⁵ L *משערין אם כמה תפוק מיניה*.

לאנשים החסרים כי יכבדונו וכי יבזונו? ואמרו
רבותינו ז"ל לא דברים ממיתים ולא דברים מחיים:

פרק יד

אודיעה דברי לך בני אמת כי¹⁰⁹ בבחרותי
למדתי מן התלמוד חלק גדול. אבל בעונותי לא
עלה בידי ידיעת הפוסקים כולם. והיום זקנתי
ושבתי ואצטרך כמה פעמים לשאול הוראה¹¹⁰
מהרבנים ואם הם צעירים ממני לימים. ולמה
אבוש מזה? האוכל להיות בקי בכל המלאכות?
הנה כשאצטרך אל כוס¹¹¹ זהב על דרך משל
אלך אל צורפי זהב והאומנים ולא אבוש. וכן כל
המצטרך אלכה לי לאיש ואיש¹¹² שהאל יפה לכל
אחר אומנתו בפניו:¹¹³

ויהי היום זבחתי את זבחי. ותרנגולות¹¹⁴
מפוטמות וברבורים אבוסים. אף ערכתי שולחני.
קראתי למאהבי לאכול ולשתות עמי. כי זבח
משפחה היה לי. והלכה השפחה הארורה והכניסה
כף חולבת לתוך היורה. ונעלמה ממני הלכה. אם
בכולה משערינן אם במאי דנפק מנה משערינן¹¹⁵:
ואלך מר בחמת רוחי רעב וצמא לאחד מהרבנים

¹⁰⁹ A, L אודיעך בני דבר אמת.

¹¹⁰ L omits.

¹¹¹ L טס.

¹¹² A omits.

held high in popular repute. He was (for my sins!) at table with his wife and family, eating, and drinking wine. I waited at his door until the shades of evening fell, and my soul was near to leave me. He then told me the law, and I returned home where my guests and the poor were awaiting me. I related all that had happened, for I was not ashamed to admit myself unskilled in that particular craft. In this I lack skill, but I have skill in another craft. Is not the faculty of expounding the existence and unity of God as important as familiarity with the rule concerning a small milk spoon?

CHAPTER XV

And thus further shalt thou speak unto them: My father solemnly impressed on me that neither timidity not diffidence is in place where truth is concerned. Why, then, should I deal insincerely with the Torah? My heritage of time I will share only with my Creator, the Giver of my soul; my heart shall seek its honor or find shame from Him alone! Hear me then,

den from me, whether we calculate the proportions by the actual amount of the admixture or by the quantity that has come out of it (has been absorbed by the dish)". See Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 1612.

הנכבדים שבעם¹¹⁶. והיה הוא בעונותי¹¹⁷ מסב
 על שולחנו עם אשתו ובניו ואוכלים ושותים יין.
 ואוחיל לו על פתח ביתו עד נטו צללי ערב. כמעט
 לא נותרה בי נשמה. ויורני ויאמר לי הדין כך וכך.
 ואשוב¹¹⁸ אל ביתי והקרואים העניים¹¹⁹ והאביונים
 וכולם שם¹²⁰ היו יושבים ומצפים לי. ואנידה
 אליהם כל המאורע לי¹²¹ כי לא אבוש לומר
 אינני בקי בזאת¹²² המלאכה. אבל אני בקי
 במלאכה אחרת. ולמה לא ישוה פסק או הוראה
 ממציאות הבורא או אהדותו¹²³ הגדולה ככף
 חולבת הקטנה?

פרק טו

בני! עוד דבר ואמרת אליהם. אבי השביעני
 לאמר. אין ראוי¹²⁴ לאמת שתהיה לא פחדנית
 ולא ביישנית. ולמה אשא פנים בתורה? ואין לי
 לחלוק נחלת זמני רק עם בוראי נותן נשמת. חלילה
 לי משום לבי לכבוד או להפכו מכל בני הזמן וזולת

116 B, H שבעירי.

117 A, L omit.

118 A, L ואשיב.

119 A, L והעניים.

120 A, L omit.

121 A, L omit.

122 A, L בהלכה זאת או בזאת.

123 A מדיעת הבורא.

124 A, L אין ראוי. מדיעת הבורא או אחרותו. L. אחרותו.

B. omits אין.

my Masters, and God will hear you. I observe that those of you who are devoted to the Talmud, its glosses and commentaries, do so in order to probe the reasons of the practical precepts. You are not content to take the law from Maimonides' Code, though he asserted that no other book was necessary.

Take as an example the law formulated by Maimonides that a Sukkah (tabernacle) more than 20 cubits high is unfit for use on the festival. But ye regard this as ridiculously inadequate until ye ascertain the ground of the law, and satisfy yourselves whether it is because too high a roof is out of the line of vision, or because in such a case a man sits in the shade cast by the walls rather than by the roof, or because a Sukkah must be a slightly built structure, as the Talmud explains.⁵³ The keenest students are not content even with this, but feel impelled to exercise themselves in more penetrating questions, and to follow out the most detailed suggestions and inferences.

Of a verity, I admit that this is good. But why should a knowledge of the reasons for the practical precepts be obligatory, while the in-

⁵³ T. B. Sukkah 2a.

היחירי סגולה¹²⁵. לכן רבותי שמעו אלי ושמע אליכם אלהים! רואה אני כי כונת המתעסקים מכם בנמרא וחדושים ושיטות היא¹²⁶ רק לדעת ראיות על המצות¹²⁷ המעשיות. כי לא יספיק לכם¹²⁸ הקבלה מספר משנה תורה שחבר רבינו משה ואעפ"י שאמר הוא ז"ל ואינו צריך לספר אחר ביניהם:

והמשל בזה. הרב המורה כתב בהלכותיו סוכה שהיא נבונה¹²⁹ למעלה מכ' אמות פסולה. ותאמרו נואש! ולא ינוח לבכם עד שתדעו אם הוא משום דלא שלטא ביה עינא. או משום דאין אדם¹³⁰ יושב בצל סכך אלא בצל דפנות. או משום דסוכה דירת עראי בעינן. כמו שכתוב בנמרא: והמהדרין מן המהדרין לא יספיק להם גם זה. ולא ישבעו עד אשר יוסיפו על זה קושיות ושיטות ואם תמצא לומר ויש לומר וכאלה רבות:

ובאמת מודה אני שזה טוב הוא. אבל מדוע ידיעת הראיות במצות המעשיות חובה וידיעתם

¹²⁵ B, H היחידים סגולת השם. L היחידים סגולות.

¹²⁶ B ושניות הן. H ומשניות הן.

¹²⁷ L omits. ¹²⁸ L יסופק. ¹²⁹ L omits.

¹³⁰ B, H אתה.

vestigation of the grounds for the spiritual precepts is not even permitted but is absolutely barred? What is the sin of the four inner laws that ye treat them so differently, being content to take them on authority, without specification, without even an understanding of their terms? Woe unto us that we have sinned! Jews despise or neglect the *Guide* nowadays, though the purpose of that treatise is to demonstrate the existence and unity of God. The Christians ⁵⁴ honor the work, study and translate it, while even greater attention is paid to it by the Mohammedans in Fez and other countries, where they have established Colleges for the study of the *Guide* under Jewish scholars!⁵⁵

CHAPTER XVI

But, my son, why should I attribute this good advice to my own initiative? Say to them: Seek from the *Guide* and particularly from ch. 51 of Part III. Then you will all know what course to follow. Maimonides was a qualified authority on whom to rely, it being recognized how he excelled all his contemporaries as accomplished rabbi and expert philosopher, especially as he adduced evidence for his view from our Sages. Far be it from you to neglect their

⁵⁴ Another reading "Egyptians". This variation between מצרי and נוצרי is not infrequent in medieval texts.

⁵⁵ See note 47 above.

במצות הלביות אינה רשות¹³¹ או מקום פטור אבל¹³² הוא אסור גמור: ומה חטאו אלו הארבע מצות הלביות שזכרתי שלא תעשו להם כמו זה הדרך אבל יספיק לכם הקבלה החלושה במעט דברים וגם עם העדר הבנת הענינים כמו שזכרתי. אוי נא לנו כי חטאנו¹³³ היהודים מואסים או עוזבים היום את ספר המורה שכל עצמו להביא מופתים על מציאות אלהינו ואחדותו וקדמותו¹³⁴. והנוצרים¹³⁵ יכבדוהו וינשאוהו והעתיקוהו. וכל שכן הישמעאלים בפאס ובשאר ארצות אשר¹³⁶ קבעו שם מדרשות ללמוד ספר המורה מפי סופרים יהודים:

פרק טז

בני! למה איחס כל אלה דברים הטובים לעצמ? אמור אליהם! דרשו מעל ס' המורה וקראו ובפרט¹³⁷ פרק נ"א מחלק שלישי. אז תדעו כולכם מה תעשו. וכדאי הוא ז"ל לסמוך עליו עם היות מפורסם שהוא היה רב ורבן וחכם שלם מכל הנמצאים היום. כש"כ שהוא ז"ל מביא ראיות מדברי רז"ל. וחלילה

¹³¹ A, L וידעת הראיות במצות הלביות רשות.

¹³² L או.

¹³³ B, H אנו.

¹³⁴ B omits.

¹³⁵ A והמצרים.

¹³⁶ L omits.

¹³⁷ A, L בפרט.

words; but let your principle be to regard the speech not the speaker. "Take with you words"⁵⁶—as the Sage enjoined: Take the truth from whoever uttereth it. This must be the guiding rule. Or to put the thought in fanciful terms: Receive my instruction and not Silver (the name of him who addresses you).⁵⁷

CHAPTER XVII

I have shown thee, my son, the way to wisdom. Yet I will call to thy mind one matter, which must never be forgotten, seeing that, whilst still a boy, thou hast read the Talmud, and particularly the opening tractate. There are many haggadot the literal wording of which posits ideas inadmissible rationally, or attributes to God corporeality, change, or any other affection. Perchance thou mayest eat to satiety from these evil viands, these deadly poisons—I refer to the before-mentioned haggadot as literally interpreted, God deliver thee! Therefore my son, understand that most of the haggadot found in the Talmud and other rabbinic books, which on the surface seem to imply the ideas I have named, are figures of speech, with an inner meaning, which we can sometimes discern, sometimes not.

Ours it is to realize that he who is of the seed of Abraham our father,—who endangered his life to dissociate himself from all the people and the

⁵⁶ Hosea 14. 3. See Maimonides, Intro. to Mishnah Abot.

⁵⁷ Prov. 8.10. The author means by this play on

שתעברו על דברי חכמים ז"ל. וכלל¹³⁸ הדבר אל תביטו אל אומר הדברים. קחו עמכם דברים. כמו שצוה החכם. קבל האמת ממי שאמרו. ועל דרך מליצת השיר אומר אני קחו מוסרי ואל כסף!

פרק יז

בני! בדרך חכמה הוריתיך. אכן עוד אזכירך דבר¹³⁹ אחד פן תשכח בעבור היות לך גירסא דינקותא בגמרא. ובפרט במס' ברכות שהיא ההתחלה. ובאו בה כמה הגדות יורה פשוטם מציאת ענינים נמנעים¹⁴⁰ אצל השכל. או ענינים מיחסים גשמות או שינוי או הפעלות מה לשם. פן תאכל ושבעת מאלו המאכלים הרעים סמי המות. רצוני אותם הפשטים האלהים יצילך! לכן דע בני כי רוב ההגדות הנמצאות בגמרא וביתר ספריהם. אשר פשוטם יורה אלו הענינים אשר זכרתי. יש בהם תוך והסתר והם כולם משלים. הן שנבין אנחנו הנסתר הן שלא נבין:

ולנו יש לדעת כי מי שהוא מזרע אברהם אבינו. אשר השליך את נפשו לחלוק עם כל בני ארצו

¹³⁸ A, L ובכלל. ¹³⁹ So H. The other texts read דרך.

¹⁴⁰ L שאינם נמצאים.

king of his country, believers in the corporeality of God—, we who are of Abraham's seed must share Abraham's principles! Whoever believes the contrary, who regards God as corporeal, testifies of himself that he is not of the seed of Abraham, but of the seed of Nimrod or the other Chaldean disputants with Abraham. Should any of thy rabbinic teachers desire to explain literally and not metaphorically any of the *haggadot* which are opposed to reason, or attribute corporeality or other inadmissible quality to God, as in the instance when "the children of Israel did impute things that were not right unto the Lord their God,"⁵⁸ do not assent to such a teacher, accept not the saying nor its utterer, for it is the opinion of a single unsupported authority. In fact, concerning the practical precepts there were just as various opinions, one prohibiting and another allowing, and the final decision necessarily adopted one view and rejected another, —so with the spiritual precepts, and particularly those which need intellectual assent, there were different points of view, as Maimonides often indicates.⁵⁹

CHAPTER XVIII

But thou mayest be led on to think of similar difficulties in the case of the Scriptures where words, take my instruction without any regard to me, Ibn Kaspi, who provide it. See above p. 127.

⁵⁸ See T. B. *Mo'ed Katan* 18b; *Kimḥi* on II Kings 17.9; *Maim. Guide*, III, ch. 19. Ibn Kaspi quoted the first words: "This pillar neither sees nor hears", not very aptly. Maim. uses it against the deniers of Providence.

⁵⁹ This principle that the *haggadot* were not neces-

ומלכם שהיו מאמינים גשמות באל יתברך. הוא מאמין באמונתו. ומי שמאמין חילוף זה בגשמות¹⁴¹ הוא מעיד על עצמו שאינו מזרעו של אברהם אבינו. אכן הוא מזרע נמרד או מיתר בני כשדים בני מחלוקות של אברהם אבינו: ואם על כל פנים¹⁴² ירצה אחד מרבתיך התלמודיים שקצת ההגדות אין להם תוך אבל הם כפשוטם. עם היותם אומרים דברים נמנעים או מיחסים גשמות או דבר מרוחק אצל הי"ת כמאמר האומר העמוד הזה אינו רואה ואינו שומע. לא תאבה לו ולא תשמע אל דברי¹⁴³ המאמר ההוא ולאומרו כי יחידאה הוא. והאמת כי כמו שהיה מחלוקת ביניהם במצות המעשיות זה אוסר וזה מתיר. זה מחייב וזה פוטר¹⁴⁴. ונפסקה הלכה כאחד מהם בהכרח והאחר נדחה. כך הענין¹⁴⁵ במצות הלביות. ובכלל בדעות העיוניות כמו שזכר הרב המורה רבים מזה המין:

פרק יח

כי תאמר בלבבך מה נעשה לכתובי התורה

¹⁴¹ B, H omit.

¹⁴² A omits these three words.

¹⁴³ H omits.

¹⁴⁴ H מוכה. ¹⁴⁵ B העיון.

the Law and the Prophets attribute corporeality to God. Such phrases as "in our image, after our likeness," may occur to thee; or the texts in which face and back, hands and feet are ascribed to God.⁶⁰ Understand that there is an explanation for all this, which must not be taken literally. But how canst thou realize it, while thou art a boy of twelve? For thou wilt find the explanation in the *Guide*,⁶¹ and I have already directed thee not to study that work till thou art twenty. But in the freshness of thy childhood, and while the dew of thy young manhood is as the dew of light,⁶² observe my commandments and live! Believe, as a tradition from me, that these matters can all be explained, that, in verity, unto God one cannot attribute body or bodily qualities or plurality of any kind, exalted as He is above all material and all angelic beings.

How all this is true, what is its significance, lo! as thou knewest not in the hour of thy entrance into the world, so thou wilt not know it until thou art twenty and over. Then wilt thou rise to this all-important knowledge, then wilt thou enter within the precincts of Pleasure and Delight, the Paradise of all dainty fruits, eating unto satisfaction of the Tree of Life, for as Solomon said of Wisdom: "She is a tree of life to them that lay hold of her, and happy is everyone that holdeth her fast."⁶³

sarily unanimous or true expressions of Jewish opinion was strongly maintained by Nahmanides in his famous Disputation. ⁶⁰ Gen. 1. 25; Exod. 33.25, 34. 10; I

Chron. 21.13. ⁶¹ See the opening chapters of Part I.

⁶² Isa. 26.19.

⁶³ Prov. 3.18.

והנביאים שהם מיחסים לאל גשמות. באמרו בצלמנו כדמותנו. וכן יחסו לו פנים ואחור וידיים ורגלים וכל הדומה לזה? דע כי לכל זה פירוש ואינו כפשוטו: אבל איך תוכל לדעת כל זה בהיותך בן שנים עשרה שנה:¹⁴⁶ כי פירוש כל זה תמצא בס' המורה. וכבר צויתך שלא תעיין בורק אחר שתהיה בן עשרים שנה: אמנם בטל ילדותך או בטל אורות טלך בימי בחורותיך שמור מצותי וחיה! האמן בקבלה ממני כי לכל זה פירוש. והאמת הוא שאין לאל גשמות או יחוס גשמות או רבוי בשום צד. והוא נעלה¹⁴⁷ מכל גשם ומלאך:

אמנם איך כל זה אמת ומה כונת זה. הנה כמו שלא ידעתו¹⁴⁸ ביום צאתך מבטן אמך. כן לא תדעהו עד היותך בן עשרים שנה ומעלה. אז תעלה לזאת הידיעה הנכבדת. ותכנס לפני ולפנים בגן העדן והעונג. פרדס¹⁴⁹ כל פרי מגדים. ואכלת ושבעת מפרי עץ החיים כמו שאמר שלמה על החכמה. עץ חיים היא למחזיקים בה ותמכיה מאשר:

¹⁴⁶ B, H add או בן עשרים שנה.

¹⁴⁷ A, L פנים, וכי הוא נכבד ונעלה.

¹⁴⁸ A, L דעת.

¹⁴⁹ A, L לפנים בגן עדן ותתענג בפרדס עם.

CHAPTER XIX

And as I have bidden thee, my son! to maintain from thy birth this supreme faith—the faith of Abraham thy first father,—refusing to attach to God the idea of body, so I command thee to hold through life to the trust that after thy death thou wilt be found worthy of the future life, where nothing bodily is. Thou wilt be as an angel of the Lord of Hosts, a brother and comrade of the other Angels there! What good or profit, what happiness or delight, is comparable to this? Yet mayest thou after thy death attain to this level of good, if thou hast in thy earthly life won for thy soul all that I have commanded. As our honored Sages in their figurative style said, “He who toils on Friday shall eat on Saturday,”⁶⁴ or again: “Hasten, thou wise, and eat; hasten and drink, for the world to come is like a marriage feast.”⁶⁵

CHAPTER XX

Dost thou ask how this is? Again my son, know that this is beyond thy capacity until thou art twenty, and canst turn thy mind to metaphysical investigations, among them the holy *Guide*. Then wilt thou see this in a light as clear as the sunshine. But till then trust and

⁶⁴ T. B. ‘Abodah Zarah 3.

⁶⁵ T. B. ‘Erubin 54a. This is not the usual reading. The ordinary text advocates making the most of the ephemeral present.

פרק יט

כאשר צויתך בני להיות כל ימי חיך מלידה ומבטן ומהריון בזאת¹⁵⁰ האמונה הנכבדת. אמונת אברהם אביך הראשון. והוא העדר כל גשמות מהשם. כן אצוך להיות כל ימך להאמין שאחרי מותך תזכה לחיי העולם הבא. ויהיה שם העדר כל גשמות. ותהיה¹⁵¹ כמלאך ה' צבאות. אח וריע¹⁵² עם יתר המלאכים אשר שם. ומה יש טובה והנאה ועדון ושמחה ועונג זולת זה? אך תזכה למעלה העליונה והגבוהה מזה הטוב אחרי מותך. אם זכית בחיך לקנות לנפשך כל אשר צויתך. כמו שאמרו רבותינו המכובדים במשליהם. מי שטרח בערב שבת יאכל בשבת. ואמרו שינא חטוף ואכול חטוף ושתה דהאי עלמא דאתי לבי¹⁵³ הלולא דמיא:

פרק כ

כי תאמר איך זה? דע בני כי לא תוכל לדעת גם את זה עד היותך בן עשרים שנה ותשים עיוןך¹⁵⁴ באלהיות שמכללם ספר המורה הקדוש. ואז תרע זה ברור כשמש. ואולם בין האי ובין האי ראוי לך

150 A, L זאת. 151 B, A, H אבל תהיה.

152 B, H omit. 153 B, H דבי. 154 L עיניך.

lean on me. I am thy surety, my son, that if thou dost fulfil all my behests, thou wilt after thy death reach the highest degree of good appointed unto us for the world to come, and the expression "after death" will be only a figure of speech, and when thy house-hold think thee dead, then wilt thou be truly alive. As our Sages say: "The righteous in their death are called living."⁶⁶ Sufficient is it for thee to be inspired now with this glorious hope of the hereafter, when thou wilt be delivered from the diseases which befall thee in this world; there no bodily pains will wrack, nor faculties decay; there slumber will not be heavy on thine eyes, nor thy nostrils suffer from assail of noisome smoke; there, wilt thou behold thy sons and daughters, with all those near and dear unto thee, partaking of the banquet in joy. And what, my son, canst thou desire more than this?

CHAPTER XXI

"The end of the matter, all having been heard: fear God and keep His commandments."⁶⁷ This term, "His commandments", embraces those that concern conduct and those that concern thought; neither must be omitted, but each ful-

⁶⁶ T. B. Berakot 19.

⁶⁷ Eccles. 12.13.

שתאמין ב¹⁵⁵ ותבטח ותשען עלי: ובכלל אני ערב
 לך בני. כי אם תעשה כל מה שצויתך תשיג אחרי
 מותך אל היותר טוב מן המדרגות היעודות לנו
 לעה"ב עד שאחרי מותך הוא על דרך העברה
 אבל כשתחשוב או כשיחשבו בני ביתך שתמות אז
 תחיה. וכן אמרו רבותינו המכובדים צדיקים
 במיתתם נקראים חיים: והנה רב לך היום שאתה¹⁵⁶
 בזה התוחלת הנכבדה לעולם הבא. ואז תנצל
 מכל המכאובים המוצאים אותך בעולם הזה. כי
 אז בטנך לא תאכל ומעיך לא תמלא פרש רעי
 וזבל וקיא ומוגלא. או לחה מוראה ונגאלה ולא
 יכאבו לך עינים וברכים. ולא תצטרך לעביט
 של מימי רגלים. ולא תנום ולא תישן. ולא יעלה
 באפך ריח רע ועשן. ושם¹⁵⁷ תראה בניך ובנותיך
 אוכלים ושמחים ויתר הקרובים והאחים. ומה
 תבקש עוד בני?

פרק כא

סוף דבר הכל נשמע את האלהים ירא ואת
 מצותיו שמור! והנה בכלל מצותיו הן המצות
 המעשיות והמצות העיוניות. אחת מהנה לא נעדרה

¹⁵⁵ So H adds.

¹⁵⁶ H שמחה.

¹⁵⁷ H משם.

filled in the manner fit for each. This is the significance of the declaration of our fathers: "We will do and we will hear."⁶⁸ It is a deliberate, precise declaration, the reverse of hasty and confused as the heretic cited in the Talmud⁶⁹ pronounced it! For the two verbs "do" and "hear" are not illogically ordered, but refer to two different things. For when the word of Moses came before them, enjoining precepts of action and of mind, the people answered concerning all, "All that the Lord hath spoken we will do and hear." The term "do" applies to the practical precepts, and comes first; the term "hear" applies to the precepts involving the mind, and comes second. For practical precepts are incumbent at an earlier moment, while the others require for their understanding and fulfilment the examination of their proofs.

And this is obvious. For a child is first taught rules of conduct, among them the use of language. Thus our Sages say⁷⁰: the father teaches his son: "Moses commanded a law", "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One." That is, he initiates and teaches him to say this in Hebrew.⁷¹ So, he teaches him to don the fringed garments and to pray; and similarly with the other practical precepts. But the acceptance by the heart, which is true knowledge, will come to thee, my son, after thy twentieth year, if God so will, though it may not come to others till they be past

⁶⁸ Exod. 24.7.

⁶⁹ T. B. Ketubot, 112a; T. B. Shabbat 88a.

⁷⁰ T. B. Sukkah 44.

⁷¹ Some versions omit "in Hebrew".

כפי הראוי לכל אחת. וזה הלשון הוא מאמר אבותינו נעשה ונשמע! והוא מאמר מדוקדק. הפך שסבר ההוא מינאה עד שקראנו עמא פזיזא¹⁵⁵. שחשב ששני אלו העניינים היו על נושא אחד. ואינו כן. אכן הוא על שני נושאים. וזה כי באשר קדם דבר¹⁵⁶ משה אליהם בצווי מצות מעשיות ועיוניות מאת ה'. ענו הם על הכל. כל אשר דבר ה' נעשה ונשמע: והקדימו נעשה על המעשיות לנשמע¹⁶⁰ על העיוניות הלביות. כי המעשיות קודמות בזמן לעיוניות שידיעתם ושמועתם הוא בלימוד המופתים: וזה מבואר. כי הנער יחונך תחלה במעשיות שבכללם הם הלשוניות. וכן אמרו חז"ל אביו מלמדו תורה צוה לנו. ושמע ישראל ה' אלהינו ה' אחד. כלומר יחנכהו וילמדהו שיאמר¹⁶¹ זה בלשון הקודש¹⁶². וכן יתעטף בציצית ויתפלל. ובכלל המצות המעשיות: אבל שמיעת הלב שהוא הידיעה האמיתית¹⁶³ כמו שקדם לנו זה יהיה לך בני אחר עשרים שנה ברצון ה' ואולי לזולתך אחר

הפך מה שסיפר ההוא B, H read פחיואה. L reads אינש...פזיזא. 155
 156 B, H כבר. 160 in B, H, A, L. ונשמע.

161 H לומר for those 3 words. 162 B, H omit.

163 H omits.

forty or fifty. In any case, this kind of knowledge, the acceptance and realization of truth by the intellect, belongs to those inner duties which can only be fulfilled by a man in his maturity. Therefore the declaration: "we will do and we will hear" included the two parts of perfection, our laws which are the perfection of the two parts of the soul—the practical and the rational. And thou, my son! wilt have rest, and wilt reach the place of thy destiny at the end of days. May God hold thee worthy of a life of felicity in this world and the next. Amen and amen!

[Ended is the Book of Admonition, called "A Guide to Knowledge". Thanks be to God, who stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain!]⁷²

[Ibn Kaspi thy father wrote this, in the month of Elul, in the year 92 of the sixth thousand (1332), in the city of Valencia].

[From thy yearning after thy silver comes thy wrath!

Never does this care leave thee, till it make an end of thee!

Yet, will it be thy comrade when thou goest to thy grave?

Or will it be a help unto thee in the distress that then befalls?]⁷³

⁷² See notes to Hebrew text for the authorities which contain or omit this and the next two paragraphs.

⁷³ There are several puns in the Hebrew which could not be reproduced in an English version.

ארבעים שנה או חמשים שנה: ובכלל על כל פנים
השמיעה בלב ובשכל כמו שהוא מונח בעברי
בכמה מקומות על הציור השכל כראוי¹⁶⁴. הנה
יהיה זה במצות הלביות העיוניות אחר זמן רב
כשיגדל האדם: ובכלל היה אמרם נעשה ונשמע
כולל שני חלקי שלמות. המצות שלנו שהם שלמות
שני חלקי הנפש. רצוני המעשי והעיוני. ואתה תנוח
ותעמוד לגורלך לקץ הימין. והשם יזכך בני לחיים
טובים בעולם הזה ובעולם הבא אמן ואמן:

נשלם ספר המוסר הנקרא יורה דעה.

תהלה לאל ית' נוטה שמים כיריעה:¹⁶⁵

וכתב זה אבן כספי אביך. חדש אלול שנת
תשעים ושתיים לפרט האלף הששי למנין. בעיר
ולנסיאה¹⁶⁶

מִכְסָּפָה אֶל־כְּסָפָה הֵן קִצְפָּה!
בְּסַעֲיָפָה לֹא יִרְפָּה עַד יֶאֱסָפָה!
הִיחְבְּרָה יוֹם עֲבָרָה אֶל קִבְרָה?
אוֹ שִׁבְרָה אֶל שִׁבְרָה כִּי יִקְרָה?¹⁶⁷

¹⁶⁴ A, L הראוי.

¹⁶⁵ B, H omit.

¹⁶⁶ In B, H only.

¹⁶⁷ B, H omit poem.

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For I have known him, to the end that he may command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of the Lord, to do righteousness and justice; to the end that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him.

(Genesis 18.19)

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INTRODUCTION

THE present volume includes specimens which, either as complete texts or as extracts, are representative of the type of literature known as Ethical Wills.

The practice of *writing* testamentary directions for the religious and secular guidance of children cannot be traced with certainty earlier than the twelfth century. The oldest, however, is usually dated as belonging to about the year 1050. But the habit of addressing *verbal* counsels is, of course, very much more ancient.

What shall he murmur with his latest breath,
When his proud eye looks through the film of death?

asks Keats when, towards the close of his brief life, he allowed his despondency to doubt the value of the poet's service. The moralist has usually been of more robust faith. Through the ages he has felt the longing to convey to his offspring at the end the ideals which he himself has striven after from the beginning. The Bible records several such instances. Prominently among these may be mentioned the blessing of Jacob, the dying requests of Joseph to his brethren, the addresses of Moses and Joshua to the people of Israel, the advice of David to his son Solomon, the ascetic restriction imposed against the use of wine or settled abodes by Jonadab son of Rechab, and such injunctions as that of the

prophet of Bethel to his sons (I Kings 13.31). The injunctions contained in the Wisdom Literature, and especially in the first nine chapters of Proverbs, are cast in the form of admonitions by the sage, in the guise of father, to the disciple, in the aspect of son. Very interesting is it to note that in the Book of Proverbs, the mother also appears in the guise of counsellor.

Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father,
And forsake not the teaching of thy mother
(1.8).

There is, further, the remarkable 'burden where-with his mother corrected' king Lemuel, in the last chapter of Proverbs. To this must be added the ever-memorable instance of the mother of the Maccabean martyrs (2 Macc. 7), whose brave encouragement of her sons in the moment of death justifies the historian's description of her (verse 20): 'but above all was the mother marvelous.' And though the Jewish Ethical Wills are predominantly paternal, the maternal genre has survived into recent time, as in the *Zeker 'Olam* of Rebekah Luria (Jerusalem, 1891).

The Apocrypha still further develops the ethical testament. The address of the dying Mat-thias to his five sons is matched in pathos and excelled in beauty by the counsels of Tobit when he sent his son on a mission from which he scarce expected to live to see him return. The fourth chapter of Tobit can, indeed, no longer be described as the oldest specimen of the Jewish ethical will. Much earlier, at least as soon as 400 B. C., comes the story of Aḥikar, a long section of which consists of that very species of exhortation,

directly spoken to a son, which is characteristic of the type of literature which we are considering. So ingrained was the habit that the Maccabean period gives us several pseudepigraphic specimens. Thus the Book of Jubilees contains some, so does Enoch xci, the Apocalypse of Moses, and above all the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs. And the death scenes in the Talmud continue the record of the fondness of the Jewish parent for this method of offering counsels of perfection from one generation to the next.

The importance of the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs, as a pre-Christian Jewish document, has only become realized of recent years. These apocryphal last words and admonitions of the twelve sons of Jacob were long regarded as of Christian origin; they are now generally considered to be Jewish with some later interpolations. The reader will find these points discussed by Dr. K. Kohler in the *Jewish Encyclopedia* (vol. xii, p. 113). The date usually assigned to parts at least of the Testaments is the reign of John Hyrkanus. Dr. Charles very definitely assigns the year 109-107 B. C. for the original Jewish work. The Testaments have close parallels to passages in the New Testament. Their ethical worth is high. Dr. Kohler ably characterizes the moral of the Testaments, in which "each of the twelve sons of Jacob delivers a farewell address, giving an account of such of his experiences as offer some lesson, either warning against sins that he had committed or exhorting to virtues that he had practised." Thus: Reuben's theme is Unchastity; Simeon's, Envy; Levi's, the Priesthood and Pride;

Judah's, Courage, etc; Issachar's, Simplicity; Zebulun's, Compassion; Dan's, Anger; Napthali's, Natural Goodness; Gad's, Hatred; Asher's, the Two Characters of Vice and Virtue; Joseph's, Chastity; Benjamin's, Purity of Heart. Another ancient document, the *Didachê*, is similarly of Jewish provenance with Christian changes, but the least characteristically Jewish factor in the *Didachê* is the compiler's mode of addressing the proselyte as 'my son'.

Thus the ethical testament has a long and continuous history in Jewish literature. That literature did not monopolize the genre. The Arabs held the ethical will (included under the general title "Wasaya") in such high esteem that they would ascribe documents of the kind to revered sages like Lokman. In Christian circles, too, we find similar phenomena. In 717 Bishop Egwin spent several days before his death in exhorting his monks and other disciples. Similarly with Abbot Gildas and Joachim de Flore. In the preambles of many Christian wills may be found declarations of faith, directions as to burial which belong to the same category. The letter of Sir Henry Sidney to his son Philip (written in 1566) may be also cited as an illustrative parallel. The age of the Renaissance was rich in such products.

Despite these, and other parallels, the ethical will is in a sense a distinctive Jewish genre. The word used (צִוָּה from צָוָה, piel צִוָּה, to command) is the same as describes the ordinary will. But it derives from texts which give the ethical

key-note of the special type. Isaiah bids Hezekiah, who was sick unto death, "Set thy house in order" (literally "command thy house," Isa. 38.1). The same word is used in the charge of Moses (Deut. 32.46). But most operative of all texts in this connection has been Gen. 18.19, where God says of Abraham: "I have known him (Abraham) to the end that he may *command* his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of the Lord." This text (which is printed in Hebrew and English as the motto of the present book) has inspired many a Jewish parent in after centuries, and it has been made the basis of an actual rubric in modern Jewish codes. It has been held to enjoin on every father the bounden duty to leave moral exhortations for his children's guidance. This feeling is well brought out in the following Midrash. "Jacob felt that his end was near, and besought the divine mercy: Ruler of the World, he cried, Take not my soul until I have exhorted my children. And his wish was granted." A similar gracious impulse led many a Rabbi to offer dying instructions to his disciples and community. In imitation of Moses it was held obligatory for a teacher, before his demise, to impart abundantly of his wisdom, a duty which Moses Recanati beautifully quotes at the end of his commentary on Deuteronomy.

These wills have been spoken of as continuous. Seeing, however, that most of them were *verbal*, it is not surprising that there are gaps in the literary records. Amid all the wealth of past lore which the Cairo Geniza brought to light,

not a single instance of an ethical will has been discovered. This merely implies that they were not written down or preserved, not that they were unspoken.

Both the occasion and the motive of these testaments differ. Sometimes they were written when the father was near death, at other times when he was separated from his family by the exigencies of travel. Especially when about to go to Palestine, or when arrived there, letters of admonition might be despatched. Sometimes the parent would write his testament at a comparatively early age, and modify and expand it as years passed by. Occasionally the testament would take the form of an elaborate treatise on ritual and ethics. Here and there a father would content himself with directions for his burial; mostly such directions would be incorporated in a longer testament. Sometimes the testament would be intended for the son, sometimes for a whole family, sometimes for the public.

The testaments give an intimate insight into the personal religion of Jews in various ages. The wills convey much information as to social life, the position of women, habits of dress and domestic economy, schemes of education, and indeed as to the many interests of business and culture.

All these topics can be studied with effect in the testaments, and the present writer may refer to an essay of his own in the third volume of the first series of the *Jewish Quarterly Review*. He hopes also to print, on a subsequent occasion, a complete bibliography and running synopsis of the

large number of wills now known to him from actual perusal. The present volume contains a small fraction of the whole, nineteenth century wills being excluded by the scheme of the series. But even so, the testaments show, in a striking manner, the popularity of just those elements of the rabbinic literature which, in a special sense, may be termed ethical. The favorite quotations are beyond question the finest passages. It is necessary to call attention to this, because the wills naturally differ very considerably in point of view. In some the outstanding influence is scholasticism, in others mysticism, in others the modernism of the Mendelssohn type. Very interesting is it to witness the gradual and constant growth of affection for Maimonides. It is superfluous, however, to enter into fuller details, seeing that the texts speak for themselves. A bibliographical descriptive note is prefixed to each. The selection is mainly the editor's own, but he received valuable suggestions from the Committee, and to them as to Prof. Reuben Levy he is indebted for assistance in correcting the proofs.

The texts themselves reflect the phases of Jewish experience and the literary and moral reactions to it through many centuries. But whatever the passing indications of contemporary manners and thought, the Jewish code of morality remains essentially the same throughout. There is never a sordid thought or hateful sentiment, though there may be occasional narrowness of horizon. Intellectually some may be comparatively low, morally all are high. Indeed

if one were writing apologetically, one could find in the confidential pronouncements which constitute the testaments a most effective vindication of the Jewish character.

לקוטים מתלמוד ומדרש

SELECTIONS FROM THE EARLY
RABBINIC LITERATURE

I

SELECTIONS FROM THE EARLY RABBINIC LITERATURE

The early rabbinic literature records the passing of many heroic figures—heroic whether the scene be a restful deathbed or the martyr's stake. Both served as future models. Thus in the present volume, Nathaniel Trabotti, in his last quiet hours, follows the model of the Nasi Judah the first (cf. p. 19 with p. 264 below). On the other hand, Moses Rimos, in face of his more violent taking off, finds encouragement in Akiba's precedent (cf. p. 15f. with p. 247 below). Heroism has its message alike for times of tranquillity and agitation.

Some of the passages which follow are direct quotations of the words of dying teachers. These last words are rarely the best words their authors uttered. Some seem to show a touch of rather smug self-satisfaction, but this appearance is not always accurate. Judah the first, for instance, holds his ten fingers up and claims that he has done no wrong with them, a rather arrogant assumption of virtue. Yet the last Mishnah in Soṭah declares that with Judah the First there ceased "humility and the fear of God", so little was his nature given to self-pride. In some of the sayings we have illustrations of the Jewish view that laws of hygiene are laws of religion. Again some belong in the category of the curious and superstitious rather than to the ethical or literary. But there is more than literary worth to be considered. The ruling passion is strong still in death, and the veteran teacher, surrounded by his disciples, sometimes men more famous than himself, seeks to impart to the last both his worldly wisdom and his exposition of Torah. To impart and to receive. It is the latter consideration that has justified

לקוטים מתלמוד ומדרש

בספרות התלמוד והמדרש נמצאים ספורים ע"ד פטירת גבורים רבים—בין שמתו בשלוח והשקט על ערש דוי בין שנהרגו על קדוש השם. אלה ואלה שמשו בתור אנשי מופת לדורות הבאים. כמו שנראה בכרך שלפנינו, נתנאל טרבוט בשלות רגעיו האחרונים הולך בעקבות רבי יהודה הנשיא (השוה דף 19 לדף 264 למטה); ולהפך, משה רימוס, שמת מיתה חטופה ואכזרית, תולה את עצמו באילן הגדול רבי עקיבא (השוה דף 15 וכו' לדף 247 למטה). מעשי גבורה רישומם נכר גם בימי שלום וגם בימי מהומה.

יש דבורים בין אלה הבאים להלן שיצאו מפי מורים גוססים, ובכ"ז רק מעטים מהם הם מן המעודה והמובחר שיצא מפיהם. יש מהם המגלים קורטוב של ספוק עצמי מוצנע, אבל לפעמים כל זה הוא רק למראית עין. יהודה הנשיא, למשל, זוקף את עשר אצבעותיו כלפי מעלה ואומר שלא נהנה אפילו באצבע קטנה—הלא זו תפיסת יושר שיש בה משום יהירות. ובכ"ז המשנה האחרונה בסוטה סבורה כי, משמת רבי בטלה ענוה ויראת חטא, כל כך היה טבעו רחוק מן הגאווה והיהירות. יש מימרות המבליטות את השקפת היהודים שתורת הבריאות הוא תורת הדת; ויש עוד כאלה השייכות לממלכת הדברים הזרים והאמונות הטפלות יותר מאשר לדברי מוסר ועניני ספרות. אכן לא די להבחין רק את הערך הספרותי של הדברים האלה. התאווה השליטה היא עזה גם בשעת המות, והרבי המנוסה המיסב בחברת תלמידיו, אשר לפעמים הם יותר מפורסמים ממנו, משתדל לתת עד רגעו האחרון מחכמתו הכללית ומפירושו על התורה. ולא רק לתת כי גם לקבל. מפני הטעם האחרון

the inclusion of one or two scenes, not necessarily final scenes, in which the Rabbi on a bed of sickness is visited by pupils and colleagues and asks for their report of the doings in the Academy. This act of receiving belongs to the testamentary category almost as fully as does the act of giving counsel.

Another series of extracts contains the explanations given by Rabbis of their longevity. Juniors inquire and the seniors answer. The answers easily fall within the scope of this volume, for they are in essence advice in the science of life by those whose tenure of life is near its end. Some of the answers are strange enough, but they have a value of their own on the moral side and as elements in contemporary folk-lore. The editor himself did not plan the inclusion of these early rabbinic passages, for they need ampler discussion than is here possible. But he acquiesced in the Committee's desire so as to make the selection more representative.

It has not seemed necessary to enter into biographical details regarding the Rabbis cited. Articles on most of them will be found in the Jewish Encyclopedia, while their teaching is displayed and expounded in Bacher's works on the Hagada. In the notes to the Hebrew text, V. refers to variant readings in the editions, and M. to the readings of the Munich MS.

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ELEAZAR B. HYRKANOS AND JOHANAN B. ZAKKAI.

Our Rabbis have taught: When R. Eleazar was ill, his disciples went in to visit him.¹ They said unto him: Our Master, teach us the Ways

¹ For the version given in Sanhedrin 68a, see p. 7 below.

נכללו פה ספור אחד או שנים שאין להם יחס כלל לקץ החיים, כי בהם הרבי שוכב על ערש דוי ותלמידיו וחבריו באים לבקרו והוא שואל אותם מהנעשה בבית המדרש. המעשה הזה של קבלת עצה הוא חלק מסוג הצואה לא פחות מן המעשה של נתינת עצה.

סדר אחר של לקוטים מכיל סברות רבנן לאריכות ימיהם. הצעירים שואלים והזקנים משיבים. התשובות האלה יש להן יחס ישר אל הכרך שלפנינו, יען כי בעקרון הן עצות להבנת החיים ע"י אנשים אשר חיהם קרבים אל קצם. אחדות מן התשובות זרות הן למדי, אבל יש להן ערך מיוחד מן הצד המוסרי ובתור יסודות בפולקלור של הימים ההם. העורך עצמו לא היה בדעתו להוסיף את הלקוטים האלה של חכמי התלמוד והמדרש, יען כי דורשים הם חקירה יותר עמוקה מאשר אפשר לתת פה, אבל הוא נכנע לחפץ הועד בכדי לעשות את הלקוט יותר כולל ומקיף.

לא חשבתי לנחוץ לתת פרטים מתולדות תלמידי החכמים הבאים להלן. רובם מפורטים באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, והוראותיהם נדרשות בספריו של באכער על האגדה. בהערות לנוסח העברי V משמש לשונוים במהדורות, M למקראות של כת"י מינכען.

א

רבי אליעזר בן הורקנוס ור' יוחנן בן זכאי

תנו רבנן כשחלה ר' אליעזר נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. אמרו לו. רבינו. למדנו אורחות חיים

of Life, whereby we may be worthy of the life of the world to come. He answered unto them: Take heed to the honor of your colleagues; withhold your children from recitation,² and cause them to sit between the knees of the disciples of the wise; and when you pray, know before whom you stand. Thereby will you be worthy of the life of the world to come.

And when Rabban Joḥanan b. Zakkai was ill, his disciples went in to visit him. When he saw them he began to weep. His disciples said unto him, O Lamp of Israel,³ right-hand pillar,⁴ mighty hammer! Why dost thou weep? He answered unto them: If I were being led before a king of flesh and blood, who is today here and tomorrow in the grave, who if he were angry with me, his anger need not be everlasting,⁵ who if he imprison me his imprisonment need not be everlasting, who if he put me to death the death would not be for ever, whom I could appease with words and bribe with money—even then I would weep; but now,

² So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 331, renders; interpreting "Restrain your children from parading a superficial knowledge of the Bible by verbal memorizing." Others hold that the reference is to some debatable literature, apocryphal or metaphysical (Cf. Bacher, *Agada der Tannaiten* i. ch. vi. Comp. I. Z. Lauterbach, *Midrash and Mishnah*, New York 1916, pp. 89–90).

³ According to another reading, "Lamp of the World."

⁴ I Kings 7.13.

⁵ According to another reading: "would only be in this world;" similarly in other clauses.

ונזכהי בהם לחיי העולם הבא. אמר להם. הזהרו בכבוד חבריכם. ונמנעו בניכם מן ההגיון, והושיבום בין ברכי תלמידי חכמים.² וכשאתם מתפללים דעו לפני מי אתם עומדים. ובשביל כך תזכו לחיי העולם הבא:

וכשחלה רבן יוחנן בן זכאי נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. כיון שראה אותם התחיל לבכות. אמרו לו תלמידיו. נר ישראל³ עמוד הימיני פטיש החוקי מפני מה אתה בוכה? אמר להם. אילו לפני מלך בשר ודם היו מוליכין אותי. שהיום כאן ומחר בקבר. שאם כועס עלי אין כעסו כעס עולם.⁴ ואם אוסרני אין איסורו איסור עולם. ואם ממיתני אין מיתתו מיתת עולם. ואני יכול לפייסו בדברים ולשחדו בממון. אף על פי כן הייתי בוכה.⁵ ועכשיו שמוליכין

¹ כרי שזוכה M.

² Aboth de R. Nathan I, 19 omits the whole bracketed passage. M. omits the second clause. At the end of the paragraph M. has a considerable addition.

³ In some texts of the Aboth de R. Nathan the reading is נר עולם (see ed. Schechter p.159).

⁴ M. omits these two words.

⁵ A. de R. N. (loc.cit.) אלא בעה'ו.

⁶ M. מתיירא ממנו

when I am being led before the King of Kings, the Holy One, blessed be He, Who lives and endures to all eternity, Who if He be angry with me, His anger is eternal,⁶ Who if He imprison me, His imprisonment would be everlasting, Who if He sentenced me to death, the death would be for ever, and Whom I cannot appease with words nor bribe with money—nay more, when before me stretch two ways, one to the Garden of Eden and the other to Gehinnom, and I know not in which I am to be led—shall I then not weep? They said unto him: Our Master, bless us! He answered unto them: "May it be His will that the fear of Heaven be upon you as great as the fear of flesh and blood." His disciples exclaimed: Only as great? He answered unto them: Would that it be as great! for know ye, that when a man designs to commit a transgression, he says: I hope that no man will see me. In the hour of his death Johanan said unto them: Remove the utensils because of defilement,⁷ and prepare a seat for Hezekiah King of Judah, who is coming.⁸ (Berakot 28b).

R. Eleazar fell ill and R. Tarphon, R. Joshua, R. Eleazar b. 'Azaria, and R. 'Akiba went to visit him. R. Tarphon spake, saying: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than the Sun, for the Sun shines in

⁶ Acc. to another reading: "in the world to come;" sim. in other clauses.

⁷ Caused by the presence of a dead body.

⁸ To accompany him (Rashi). On the whole of this passage see *Studies in Pharisaism*, II, 46.

אותי לפני מלך מלכי המלכים הקדוש ברוך הוא
 שהוא חי וקיים לעולם ולעולמי עולמים. שאם
 כועס עלי כעסו כעס עולם.⁷ ואם אוסרני איסורו
 איסור עולם. ואם ממיתני מיתתו⁸ מיתת עולם. ואיני
 יכול לפייסו בדברים ולא לשחדו בממון. ולא עוד
 אלא שיש לפני שני דרכים אחת של⁹ גן עדן ואחת
 של גיהנם¹⁰ ואיני יודע באיזו מוליכים אותי. ולא
 אבכה?¹¹ אמרו לו. רבינו ברכנו! אמר להם. יהי
 רצוני שתהא מורא שמים עליכם כמורא בשר
 ודם. אמרו לו תלמידיו. עד כאן? אמר להם ולואי!
 דעו¹² כשאדם עובר עבירה אומר שלא יראני אדם:
 בשעת פטירתו אמר להם פנו כלים מפני הטומאה.
 והכינו כסא לחזקיהו מלך יהודה שבא:¹³ (ברכות כ"ח ב')
 וכבר היה ר' אליעזר חולה ונכנסו רבי טרפון
 ורבי יהושע ור' אלעזר בן עזריה ור' עקיבא לבקרו:
 נענה ר' טרפון ואמר רבי! חביב אתה לישראל
 יותר מגלגל חמה. שגלגל חמה מאיר בעולם הזה

⁷ A. de R. N. לעה"ב. ⁸ מיתתי. ⁹ A. de R. N. לניהם. ¹⁰ M. לני. So A. de R. N. p. 79. ¹¹ M. לני. ¹² לנובו.

¹² Instead of this clause A. de R. N. quotes Psalm 22.30.

¹³ M. 30., 'יהי מורא וכו'. ¹⁴ Var. תדעו. M. עבודה. ¹⁵ M. omits. (עובר עבירה?) בסתר ואמר לא יראני האדם אעפ"י שידע שהכל נלוי לפניו אינו מתיירא ואינו מונע מלעשות.

this world only, but thou dost illumine this world and the next.' R. Joshua spake, saying: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than the gift of rain; for the rain giveth life in this world only, and thou hast given life in this world and the next.' R. Eleazar b. 'Azariah addressed him in these words: 'Rabbi, thou art dearer to Israel than father and mother, for a man's parents bring him into this world, while thou bringest us into this world and the next.' R. 'Akiba shook his head, and said 'Rabbi, dear is affliction.' R. Eleazar said to his disciples: 'Support me!' He sat up and said: 'speak on, 'Akiba!' 'Akiba replied: The Scripture⁹ says, Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign and he reigned five and fifty years in Jerusalem, and he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord. Another text tells us:¹⁰ These also are proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out. Is it conceivable that Hezekiah taught all Israel law, yet neglected to teach his own son, Manasseh? But all his instructions, all his efforts failed, and the only effective teacher was affliction. For it is written further how the Lord spake to Manasseh and to his people, but they gave no heed, wherefore the Lord brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of Assyria, who took Manasseh with hooks and bound him with fetters and carried him to Babylonia. And when he was in distress he besought the Lord his God, and humbled himself greatly before

⁹ II Chron. 33.1.

¹⁰ Prov. 25.1.

ואתה מאיר לעולם הזה ולעולם הבא: נענה רבי יהושע ואמר רבי! חביב אתה לישראל ממתן גשמים. שהגשמים נותנים חיים בעולם הזה ואתה נתת להם חיים בעולם הזה ובעולם הבא: א"ל ר' אליעזר בן עזריה רבי! חביב אתה לישראל מאב ואם. שאב ואם מביאים את האדם לעולם הזה ואתה מביא אותנו לעולם הזה ולעולם הבא: נענה רבי עקיבא ואמר רבי! חביבים יסורים: ואמר להם רבי אליעזר לתלמידיו סמכוני! ישב לו ר' אליעזר אמר לו אמור עקיבא! אמר לו הרי הוא אומר בן י"ב שנה מנשה במלכו ונ"ה שנה מלך בירושלים ויעש הרע בעיני ה'. ואומר גם אלה משלי שלמה אשר העתיקו אנשי חזקיה מלך יהודה. וכי עלתה על דעתך שחזקיהו לימד תורה לישראל ולמנשה בנו לא לימד תורה? אלא כל תלמוד שלימדו וכל עמל שעמל בו לא הועיל לו אלא ייסורים. שנאמר וידבר ה' אל מנשה ואל עמו ולא הקשיבו ויבא ה' עליהם את שרי הצבא אשר למלך אשור וילכדו את מנשה בחוחים ויאסרוהו בנחשתים ויוליכוהו בבלה וכהצר לו חלה את פני ה' אלהיו ויכנע מאד מלפני

the God of his fathers. And he prayed unto Him, and He was entreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him back to Jerusalem into his kingdom. So, said 'Akiba, thou mayest learn that precious is affliction! (Sifre on Deut. 32).

The record is that it was on a Friday, when R. Eleazar lay sick, that R. 'Akiba and his colleagues visited the dying sage. [They asked him several questions]; he answered 'unclean' concerning the unclean, and concerning the clean he answered 'clean', and his soul departed in purity at the word. (Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 25; Sanhedrin, 68a).

2

'AKABYA SON OF MAHALALEL.

'Akabya son of Mahalalel testified to four teachings. The Sages said to him: "Akabya! Withdraw the four teachings which thou hast declared, and we will appoint thee a President of the Court¹¹ for Israel." He answered them: "Rather would I be called a fool all my life, than become for a single hour a sinner before God." (Also,) he did not wish people to say that he recanted to gain office.

In the hour of his death he said to his son: "My son! Give up those four things which I used to declare." His son asked: "Why didst thou not thyself abandon them?" 'Akabya an-

¹¹ According to the Mishnah Hagigah 2.2, the Ab Beth-din was vice-president of the Sanhedrin.

אלהי אבותיו ויפן אליו ויעתר לו וישיבהו לירושלים
למלכותו. הא למדת שחביבים ייסורים¹⁶: (ספרי דברים
פ' ל"ב).

כשחלה רבי אליעזר אמרו אותו היום ערב שבת
היה ונכנס רבי עקיבא וחביריו¹⁷ לבקרו... והיה
משיב על טמא טמא ועל טהור טהור עד שיצתה
נשמתו בטהרה¹⁸: (אבות דר' נתן כ"ה, סנהדרין ס"ח א').

ב

עקביא בן מהללאל

עקביא בן מהללאל העיד ארבעה דברים.
אמרו לו. עקביא חזור בך בארבעה דברים שהיית
אומר ונעשך אב בית דין לישראל. אמר להן מוטב
לי להקרא שוטה כל ימי. ולא ליעשות שעה אחת
רשע לפני המקום. שלא יהיו אומרים בשביל שררה
חזר בו:

...בשעת מיתתו אמר לבנו. בני! חזור בך
בארבעה דברים שהייתי אומר. אמר לו, ואתה
למה לא חזרת בך? אמר לו אני שמעתי מפי

¹⁶ For notes on this text see Friedmann, *Sifre*, p. 73b.

¹⁷ נכנסו חכמים אצלו. M.

¹⁸ In Sanh. 68a the passage ends: מנעל שעל נבי האמוס.

swered: "I heard these decisions from a majority, so did the others hear their decisions from a majority.¹² I stood by my tradition, and they by theirs. But thou hast heard (opposite views) from (me) an individual, and from (them) a majority. 'Twere better for thee to reject the words of the individual and hold to those of the majority." He said to him: "Father, commend me to thy colleagues." 'Aḳabya answered: "I will not commend thee." The son asked: "Hast thou detected some fault¹³ in me?" "No," said 'Aḳabya, "but thine own deeds will bring thee near (to the Sages), or thine own deeds will thrust thee far (from them)." (Mishnah 'Eduyot V, 6-7).

3

JOSE SON OF ḲISMA AND ḤANINA SON OF
TERADYON

Said Rabbi Jose, the son of Ḳisma: Once I was walking by the way, when a man met me, and gave me "Peace," and I returned him "Peace".¹⁴ He said to me, "Rabbi, from what place art thou?" I said to him, "From a great city of Sages and Scribes¹⁵ am I." He said to me, "Rabbi, should it be thy pleasure to dwell with us in our place, I will give thee a thousand thousand¹⁶ golden dinars¹⁷, and precious stones and

¹² Either the majority decided differently on different occasions or there were divergent traditions as to what *was* the majority decision.

¹³ Or, according to the other reading, "cause" for complaint.

המרובים. והם שמעו מפי המרובים. אני עמדתי
 בשמועתי. והם עמדו בשמועתן. אבל אתה שמעת
 מפי היחיד ומפי המרובין. מוטב להניח דברי היחיד
 ולאחוז בדברי המרובין: אמר לו פקוד עלי
 לחברייך. אמר לו אני מפקיד. אמר לו שמא עולה¹⁹
 מצאת בי? אמר ליה לאו! מעשיך יקרבוך ומעשיך
 ירחקוך:
 (עדיות פרק ה')

ג

יוסי בן קיסמא וחנניה בן תרדיון

אמר רבי יוסי בן קיסמא. פעם אחת הייתי מהלך
 בדרך ופגע בי אדם²⁰ אחד ונתן לי שלום והחזרתני
 לו שלום. אמר לי רבי מאיזה מקום אתה? אמרתי
 לו מעיר גדולה של חכמים ושל סופרים²¹ אני. אמר
 לי רבי רצונך שתדור עמנו במקומנו ואני אתן לך
 אלף אלפים דינרי זהב ואבנים טובות ומרגליות.

The bracketed words, however, are missing in M. מהו? אמר להם הוא טהור] ויצתה נשמתו בטהרה

¹⁹ V עילה. ²⁰ V זקן. ²¹ V omits these two words.

¹⁴ The usual form of salutation.

¹⁵ See *J.E.*, xi, 123. Jose's city was Caesarea Philippi, but he may be referring to Usha, the seat of learning in his age.

¹⁶ *i. e.* a million.

¹⁷ Lat. denarius.

pearls." I said to him, "Wert thou to give me all the silver, and gold, and precious stones, and pearls in the world, I would not dwell except in the home of the Torah. And thus is it written in the Book of Psalms,¹⁸ by the hands of David King of Israel: The Law of Thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver."

Moreover, in the hour of a man's decease, not silver nor gold nor precious stones and pearls accompany him, but Torah and good works alone,¹⁹ as it is said,²⁰ When thou walkest, it shall lead thee, when thou liest down, it shall watch over thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee. "When thou walkest, it shall lead thee"—in this world; "when thou liest down, it shall watch over thee"—in the grave; "and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee"—in the world to come²¹. (Chapter of R. Meir, so-called ch. 6 of Abot).

The Rabbis taught: When Rabbi Jose son of Kisma lay sick, R. Hanina son of Teradyon went to visit him. Jose said to him: Hanina, my brother, knowest thou not that this nation²² has received its domination from Heaven? It has wasted God's House, burned His Temple, slain His saints, destroyed His excellent ones, yet it still endures. And I have heard of thee, that thou (despite the Roman prohibition) sittest and art occupied with teaching the Torah, summoning public assemblies, and bear-

¹⁸ Ps. 119.72.

¹⁹ This idea is widely spread in literature. Cf. J.

אמרתי לו אם אתה נותן לי כל כסף וזהב ואבנים טובות ומרגליות שבעולם איני דר אלא במקום תורה: וכן כתוב בספר תהלים על ידי דוד מלך ישראל טוב לי תורת פיך מאלפי זהב וכסף:

ולא עוד²² שבשעת פטירתו של אדם אין מלוים לו לאדם לא כסף ולא זהב ולא אבנים טובות ומרגליות אלא תורה ומעשים טובים בלבד. שנאמר בהתהלכך תנחה אותך בשכבך תשמור עליך והקיצות היא תשיחך: בהתהלכך תנחה אותך בעולם הזה. בשכבך תשמור עליך בקבר. והקיצות היא תשיחך לעולם הבא: (פרק ר' מאיר או פרק קנין תורה)

תנו רבנן כשחלה רבי יוסי בן קיסמא הלך רבי חנינא בן תרדיון לבקרו. אמר לו חנינא אחי אי אתה יודע שאומה זו מן השמים המליכוה. שהחריבה את ביתו ושרפה את היכלו והרגה את חסידיו ואבדה את טוביו ועדיין היא קיימת. ואני שמעתי עליך שאתה יושב ועוסק בתורה ומקה לקהלות ברבים.²³

²² V (cf. ed. Taylor, text, p. 49). ²³ V omits this phrase.

Jacobs, *Barlaam and Josaphat*, pp. lxxvii ff.

²⁰ Prov. 6.22.

²¹ Follows a quotation of Haggai 2.8.

²² Rome.

ing a Scroll of the Torah at the breast. Ḥanina answered: Mercy will be shown from on high! Jose rejoined: I address reasonable words to thee, and thou answerest, Mercy will be shown from on High! I shall be surprised if they do not burn thee and the Scroll in fire. Ḥanina said: Master, what will be my lot in the life of the world to come? He answered, Has any occurrence happened to thee?²³ Ḥanina replied, Purim money was once mixed with²⁴ alms-money, and I distributed it to the poor.²⁵ Jose exclaimed: This being so, may thy portion be my portion, and thy lot my lot! It was said that very soon afterwards R. Jose son of Kisma died, and all the magnates of Rome attended his funeral, and mourned over him with a great mourning.

On their return they found R. Ḥanina son of Teradyon, sitting occupied with the Torah, gathering public assemblies, carrying a Scroll of the Torah at his breast. They took him, wrapped the Scroll about him, and encompassed him with faggots of vine branches, to which they set fire. They brought woolen tufts, soaked them with water, and laid them on his heart, so that his soul should not depart quickly.²⁶

²³ Any incident from which I may judge your conduct.

²⁴ Or interchanged with, mistaken for.

²⁵ Money set aside (either for his own use or for meals for the poor on Purim) was mistaken by Ḥanina for general alms money and so he distributed the deficiency out of his own pocket.

²⁶ To make his death lingering.

וספר תורה²⁴ מונח לך בחיקך: אמר לו מן השמים ירחמו: אמר לו אני אומר לך דברים של טעם ואתה אומר לי מן השמים ירחמו! תמה אני אם לא ישרפו אותך ואת ספר תורה באש: אמר לו רבי! מה אני לחיי העולם הבא? אמר לו כלום מעשה בא לידך? אמר לו מעות של פורים נתחלפו לי במעות של צדקה וחלקתים לעניים. אמר לו אם כן מחלקך יהי חלקי ומגורלך יהי גורלי! אמרו לא היו ימים מועטים עד שנפטר רבי יוסי בן קיסמא. והלכו כל גדולי²⁵ רומי לקברו. והספידוהו הספר גדול: ובחזירתו מצאוהו לרבי חנינא בן תרדיון שהיה יושב ועוסק בתורה. ומקהיל קהלות ברבים. וספר תורה מונח לו בחיקו. הביאוהו וכרכוהו בספר תורה. והקיפוהו בחבילי זמורות. והציתו בהן את האור. והביאו ספוגין של צמר ושראום במים והניחום על לבו כדי שלא תצא נשמתו מהרה:²⁶

²⁴ V omits.

²⁵ בני רומי והספידוהו.

²⁶ V שלא ימות מהרה.

His daughter said to him: Father, must I see thee in this plight? He answered: Were I being burned alone, the matter would be hard for me; but seeing that I am now being burned together with the Scroll, He who will resent the insult to the Torah will take account also of my wrong. His disciples asked of him: Rabbi, what seest thou? He answered, the Scroll burns but the letters soar (on high). They said to him: Open thy mouth that the fire may penetrate.²⁷ He replied: Better is it that He who gave the soul should take it, and that a man should do himself no injury. Then the executioner said to him: Master! If I increase the flame and remove the woolen tufts from off thy heart, wilt thou bring me to the life of the world to come?—Yes, said Hanina.—Swear it (demanded the executioner). Hanina took the oath. Forthwith the officer increased the flame and removed the woolen tufts from over Hanina's heart, and his soul departed quickly. The executioner thereupon leaped up and plunged into the fire. Then a Daughter of the Voice²⁸ went forth and cried: Rabbi Hanina son of Teradyon and the executioner are both appointed for eternal life! Rabbi (Judah) wept and said: One acquires his world in a single hour, and another acquires it in many years! ('Abodah Zarah 18).²⁹

²⁷ Thus hastening the end of his sufferings.

²⁸ See *J.E.*, ii, 588, on this "heavenly voice."

²⁹ Cf. 'Abodah Zarah 10b. A very human comment on life's inequalities. It may be suggested that a negative has dropped out of this oft-quoted saying, which should

אמרה לו בתו אבא אראך בכך? אמר לה אילמלא
 אני נשרפתי לבדי היה הדבר קשה לי. עכשיו שאני
 נשרף וספר תורה עמי²⁷ מי שמבקש עלבונה²⁸ של
 ספר תורה יבקש עלבוני: אמרו לו תלמידיו רבי
 מה אתה רואה? אמר להן גליון²⁹ נשרפין ואותיות
 פורחות. אמרו לו³⁰ אף אתה פתח פִּיך וּתְכַנֵּס הָאֵשׁ.³¹
 אמר להם מוטב שיטלנה מי שנתנה ואל יחבל הוא
 בעצמו: אמר לו קליסטנרי³² רבי! אם אני מרבה
 בשלהבת ונוטל ספוגין של צמר מעל לבך אתה
 מביאני לחיי העולם הבא? אמר לו הן. השבע לי!
 נשבע לו. מיד הרבה בשלהבת. ונטל ספוגין של
 צמר מעל לבו. ויצאה נשמתו במהרה: אף הוא קפץ
 ונפל לתוך האור:³³ יצאה בת קול ואמרה רבי
 חנינא בן תרדיון וקליסטנרי מזומנין הן לחיי העולם
 הבא: בכה רבי ואמר יש קונה עולמו בשעה אֶת
 ויש קונה עולמו בכמה שנים!
 (עבודה זרה יח)

²⁷ V This whole clause in third person.

²⁸ V עלבונו.

²⁹ V גליון.

³⁰ M adds these two words.

³¹ V add בך. M שלהבת.

³² V קלצטונירי.

³³ M האש.

4

JOSHUA SON OF HANANYA

In the old age of R. Joshua b. Hananya his disciples visited him, and he said to them: 'My children, what new ideas did you acquire at the college today?' They answered: 'We are thy disciples and drink of thy waters!'³⁰ He replied: 'God forbid that there should be a generation orphaned of men of wisdom.'³¹ Whose Sabbath was it?'—'The Sabbath of R. Eleazar b. 'Azariah'—'On what topic was the lecture to-day?'—'On the section (Deut. 31.12): Assemble the people, the men and the women and the little ones'—'What did R. Eleazar expound on this text?'—'Thus he expounded: the men came to learn³², the women to listen, but the children, why did they come? To give a reward to those who brought them'—'A precious pearl ye had in your hands and ye sought to deprive me of it! Had ye not come but to tell me³³ this single thing, 'twere enough'—'He further discoursed on Ecclesiastes 12. 11: The words of the wise are as goads. Just as the goad directs the heifer in her furrow, so the words of the Torah direct mankind to the paths of life.' (Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 18)·

run: "One attains eternity in an hour, another fails in many years."

³⁰ We have come to learn, not to teach.

³¹ There were others besides himself and to replace himself, as teacher.

³² To take part in the discussion.

³³ Lit. 'to hear'; but the meaning is 'to tell me'.

ד

ר' יהושע בן חנניה

לעת זקנותו של רבי יהושע נכנסו תלמידיו לבקרו. אמר להם בני מה חידוש היה לכם בבית המדרש? אמרו תלמידך אנו ומימך אנו שותים. אמר להם ח"ו שאין דור יתום של חכמים. שבת של מי היתה? אמרו לו שבת של רבי אלעזר בן עזריה היתה. אמר להם ובמה היתה ההגדה היום? אמרו בפרשת הקהל את העם האנשים והנשים והטף (דברים ל"א י"ב). אמר להם ומה דרש בה? אמרו לו כך דרש בה אנשים באים ללמוד ונשים לשמוע טף למה הם באים? כדי לתת שכר טוב למביאייהם. אמר להם מרגלית טובה היתה בידכם וביקשתם לאבדה ממני! אלמלא לא באתם אלא לשמוע דבר זה די. אמרו לו ועוד דרש בה דברי חכמים כדרבונות... (קהלת י"ב י"א) מה דרבן זה מכוון את הפרה לתלמיה כך דברי תורה מכוונים את האדם לדרכי חיים: ³⁴ (אבות דר' נתן י"ח)

³⁴ For notes on the Hebrew text see Schechter's ed.

When the soul of R. Joshua ben Ḥanania was departing, the Rabbis said unto him: What will become of us at the hands of the Minim?³⁴ He answered them with the text, Jeremiah 49.7: 'If counsel is departed from the sons, then is their wisdom vanished'—if the sons³⁵ lose their skill in argument, so does the heathen's wisdom also perish. Or, if you will, he added: take comfort from the experience of Jacob who said to Esau:³⁶ 'Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go with thee'³⁷ (Genesis 33.12). (Ḥagigah, v, 1).

5

SAMUEL THE YOUNGER

Once they were assembled in the upper chamber of the house of Gorya in Jericho, when a Daughter of the Voice manifested itself, saying: There is among you one who is fit that the Shekinah should rest upon him, but his generation is unfit for it. They turned their eyes toward Hillel the Elder. When he died, they said of him in their elegiac lament: O thou saint! O thou gentle-man! O thou disciple of Ezra! On another occasion they were gathered in an upper chamber in Jabneh. Again a Daughter of the Voice manifested itself, saying: There is here one fit that the Shekinah should rest upon him, but his

³⁴ Heathen and Judeo-Christian disputants. Cf. Bacher, *Agada der Tanaiten* I 161 (ed. 2 p. 156). Some editions read 'Epicureans'. Joshua was famed for his controversial ability, see *J. E.* vii 291.

כי קא ניחא נפשיה דרבי יהושע בן חנניה אמרו
 ליה רבנן מאי תיהוי עלן ממיני³⁵? אמר להם אבדה
 עצה מבנים נסרחה חכמתם. כיון שאבדה עצה
 מבנים נסרחה חכמתן של אומות העולם: ואי בעית
 אימא מהכא נסעה ונלכה ואלכה לנגדך (חגיגה ה' א.).

ה

שמואל הקטן

פעם אחת היו מסובין בעליית בית גוריא ביריחו.
 נתנה עליהן בת קול מן השמים ואמרה יש בכם
 אדם אחד שראוי שתשרה שכינה עליו אלא שאין
 דורו ראוי³⁶ לכך. נתנו עיניהם בהלל הזקן. וכשמת
 הספידוהו הי חסיד הי עניו תלמידו של עזרא! ושוב
 פעם אחרת היו מסובין בעלייה ביבנה. נתנה להן
 בת קול מן השמים ואמרה להן יש בכם אדם אחד
 שראוי שתשרה שכינה עליו אלא שאין דורו זכאין

³⁵ Censored editions read מאפיקורוסין.

³⁶ The readings זכאי and ראוי vary in the Mss. and editions.

³⁵ i. e. of God—Israel being meant.

³⁶ Typifying Rome.

³⁷ Jacob and Esau keep pace together.

generation is unworthy of it. They turned their eyes to Samuel the Younger, and when he died they keened for him in the terms: O thou modest one! O thou saint! O thou disciple of Hillel. On his death-bed he prophesied: 'Simeon and Ishmael are destined to the sword, their comrades to death, the rest of the people will be a spoil, and many sorrows will befall Israel.' Also of Judah b. Baba they would have wished to use a similar lamentation: 'O saint, O gentle-man', but it was an unsettled time and it was impossible to make public elegy over those executed by the Roman government.³⁸ (Soṭah, 48b).

6

'AKIBA

Our Rabbis have taught: Seven injunctions did Rabbi 'Akiba lay upon Joshua his son. My son! Dwell not on the height of the town while studying;³⁹ live not in a city whose heads are scholars;⁴⁰ enter not thy house suddenly,⁴¹ still less thy neighbor's house; withhold not shoes from thy feet;⁴² rise up early and eat, in Summer because of the heat, in Winter because of the cold;⁴³ make thy Sabbath a week-

³⁸ See J. E. xi, 21. Both Hillel and Samuel ha-Ḳaṭon were celebrated for their meek and gentle disposition.

³⁹ To avoid the disturbance of the traffic.

⁴⁰ They would be devoted more to their books than to public affairs.

לכך. נתנו עיניהם בשמואל הקטן וכשמת הספידוהו
 הי עניו הי חסיד תלמידו של הלל! ואף הוא אמר
 בשעת מיתתו שמעון וישמעאל לחרבא וחברוהי
 לקטלא ושאר עמא לביזא ועקן סגיאין עתידין
 למיתי על עמא. ואף על ר' יהודה בן בבא בקשו
 לומר הי חסיד הי עניו אלא שנטרפה שעה שאין
 מספידין על הרוגי מלכות (סוטה מ"ח ב')

ו

ר' עקיבא

תנו רבנן, שבעה דברים צוה ר' עקיבא את ר'
 יהושע³⁷ בנו. בני! אל תשב בגובהה של עיר ותשנה³⁸.
 ואל תדור בעיר שראשיה תלמידי חכמים. ואל
 תכנס לביתך פתאום כל שכן לבית חבירך. ואל
 תמנע מנעלים מרגליך. השכם ואכול בקיץ מפני
 החמה ובחורף מפני הצינה. ועשה שבתך חול ואל

³⁷ M omits the name.

³⁸ M omits.

⁴¹ Give warning of your approach: cf. Leviticus Rabba ch. xxi.

⁴² To go unshod was disgraceful: cf. T. B. Shabbat, 129a.

⁴³ Derived in T. B. Baba Ḳama 92b from the text Isaiah 49. 10.

day,⁴⁴ so as to avoid needing help from thy fellow-creatures; and be on good terms with one on whom the hour smiles.⁴⁵ (Pesaḥim 112a).

Five things did Rabbi 'Aqiba command R. Simeon b. Yoḥai, when he was confined in prison. Simeon said to him: Master, teach me Torah! 'Aqiba replied, I will not teach thee. Simeon said to him: If thou teach me not, I will inform my father Yoḥai, and he will give thee up to the government. 'Aqiba answered: My son! more than the calf desires to suck, the cow desires to suckle. Who is in danger, asked Simeon, is it not the calf? 'Aqiba then said unto him: If thou wishest to be strangled, hang thyself on a big tree,⁴⁶ and when thou teachest thy son, teach him out of a correct book. Cook not in a pot in which thy comrade has cooked.⁴⁷ His is an act of charity and also a good investment who helps to produce fruits, while he has a reward.⁴⁸ His is a religious act which also keeps his body pure, who marries a wife though he already has children (Pesaḥim 112 a-b).

"And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy substance."⁴⁹ It has been taught: R. Eleazar said, If it is written "with all thy soul",⁵⁰ why

⁴⁴ Do without luxurious meals.

⁴⁵ The Talmud cites in illustration association with Job, of whom it is said: "Thou hast blest the work of his hands."

⁴⁶ Go for instruction to a high authority.

⁴⁷ Explained in the Talmud as referring either to marriage with a divorced woman in her first husband's life-

תצטרך לבריות. והוי משתדל עם אדם שהשעה
משחקת לו: (פסחים ק"ב א')

חמשה דברים צוה רבי עקיבא את ר' שמעון
בן יוחי כשהיה חבוש בבית האסורין. אמר לו רבי
למדני תורה! אמר לו איני מלמדך. אמר לו אם
אין אתה מלמדני אני אומר ליוחי אבא ומוסרך
למלכות. אמר לו בני! יותר ממה שהעגל רוצה
לינק פרה רוצה להניק. אמר לו ומי בסכנה? והלא
עגל בסכנה! אמר לו אם בקשת ליחנק היתלה
באילן גדול. וכשאתה מלמד את בנך^{38a} למדהו בספר
מוגה... ולא תבשל בקדירה שבישל בה חבירך.
מצוה וגוף גדול אוכל פירות ולו³⁹ שכר. מצוה וגוף
טהור נושא אשה ולו בנים: (שם)

ואהבת את ה' אלהיך בכל לבבך ובכל נפשך
ובכל מאדך. תניא ר' אליעזר אומר אם נאמר בכל

^{38a} M adds תורה.

³⁹ Following Jastrow's reading of לו for לא (see Dictionary, p. 225).

time, or to marriage with a widow.

⁴⁸ So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 225; he explains: "e. g. one who loans money to a husbandman on security, allowing payment in small instalments." Rashi explains somewhat differently (Cf. Baba Mezi'a 67b).

⁴⁹ Deut. 6.5.

⁵⁰ Life or self.

is it written "with all thy substance"?⁵¹ and if it is written "with all thy substance", why is it written "with all thy soul"? The reason is: should there be a man who holds his life dearer than his wealth, it is written "with all thy soul;" and should there be a man whose money is dearer to him than his life, it is written "with all thy substance." R. 'Aqiba said: "With all thy soul," even if He take thy soul.

Our Rabbis have taught: Once the wicked government⁵² decreed that the Israelites should not occupy themselves with the Torah. Pappos b. Judah came and found R. 'Aqiba gathering public assemblies and teaching the Torah. He said: 'Akiba dost thou not fear the government? 'Akiba answered: "I will tell thee a parable. To what is the matter like? To a fox who was walking along the river and saw some fishes gathering and fleeing from place to place. He said to them: from what are you fleeing? They answered: From nets which men are casting against us. The fox said: Let it be your pleasure to come up to the dry land, and I and you will dwell together, as my fathers once dwelt with your fathers. They answered: Art thou indeed he whom they declare the shrewdest of animals? Thou art not shrewd, but a dullard! For if we are afraid in the place which is life to us, how much more must we fear in the place which means to us death? So we,

⁵¹ Usually rendered "with all thy might", but see commentaries on the text.

⁵² Rome.

נפשך למה נאמר בכל מאדך? ואם נאמר בכל מאדך
למה נאמר בכל נפשך? אלא אם יש לך אדם שגופו
חביב עליו מממונו לכך נאמר בכל נפשך. ואם יש
לך אדם שממונו חביב עליו מגופו לכך נאמר בכל
מאדך: רבי עקיבא אומר בכל נפשך, אפילו נוטל
את נפשך:

תנו רבנן. פעם אחת גזרה מלכות הרשעה⁴⁰ שלא
יעסקו ישראל בתורה. בא פפוס בן יהודה ומצאו
לרבי עקיבא שהיה מקהיל קהלות ברבים ועוסק
בתורה. אמר לו עקיבא אי אתה מתירא מפני
מלכות? אמר לו אמשול לך משל. למה הדבר
דומה? לשועל שהיה מהלך על גב הנהר⁴¹ וראה דגים
שהיו מתקבצים ורצים ממקום למקום. אמר להם
מפני מה אתם בורחים? אמרו לו מפני רשתות
שמביאין עלינו בני אדם. אמר להם רצונכם שתעלו
ליבשה ונדור אני ואתם כשם שדרו אבותי עם
אבותיכם? אמרו לו אתה הוא שאומרים עליך פקח
שבחיות? לא פקח אתה אלא טפש אתה! ומה במקום
חיותנו אנו מתיראין במקום מיתתנו על אחת כמה

⁴⁰ מלכות יון V.

⁴¹ M. שפת הים, but M's readings vary throughout too.

if we are now in such a case while we sit and engage in the Torah of which it is written: 'for that is thy life and thy length of days',⁵³ how much worse would be our case were we to go and neglect it!"

It is reported that shortly afterwards they arrested R. 'Aqiba and bound him in prison, and they arrested Pappos b. Judah and bound him at his side. 'Aqiba asked: Pappos, for what reason are thou brought hither? He answered: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, inasmuch as thou hast been imprisoned on account of the Torah; alas for Pappos, who has been arrested for a trivial cause!

In the hour when they took forth R. 'Aqiba to execution, it was the time for reading the Shema';⁵⁴ they combed his flesh with iron combs, but he went on receiving upon himself the yoke of the Kingship of Heaven.⁵⁵ His disciples said unto him: Our Master, thus far?⁵⁶ He answered: All my days I was concerned about this text: "(And thou shalt love the Lord thy God) with all thy soul", which means, even if He take thy soul. I said: When shall it be in my power to fulfil it? And now that I have the opportunity, shall I not fulfil it? He dwelt long over the word One, until his soul went forth with the word One

⁵³ Deut. 30.20.

⁵⁴ Which includes Deut. 6.4 and 5, *seq.*

⁵⁵ This idea was associated with the recital of the passage referred to.

⁵⁶ Do you still recite the Shema' despite these tortures?

וכמה! אף אנחנו עכשיו שאנו יושבים ועוסקים
בתורה שכתוב בה כי היא חייך ואורך ימך כך
אם אנו הולכים ומבטלים ממנה על אחת כמה
וכמה!

אמרו לא היו ימים מועטים עד שתפסוהו לרבי
עקיבא וחבשוהו בבית האסורים. ותפסו לפפוס
בן יהודה, וחבשוהו אצלו. אמר לו פפוס! על מה
הביאך לכאן? אמר ליה, אשריך רבי עקיבא
שנתפסת על דברי תורה! אוי לו לפפוס, שנתפס
על דברים בטלים!

בשעה שהוציאו את ר' עקיבא להריגה זמן
קריאת שמע היה. והיו סורקים את בשרו במסרקות
של ברזל והיה מקבל עליו עול מלכות שמים.
אמרו לו תלמידיו רבינו! עד כאן? אמר להם, כל
ימי הייתי מצטער על פסוק זה בכל נפשך אפילו
נוטל את נשמתך. אמרתי מתי יבא לידי ואקיימנו?
ועכשיו שבא לידי לא אקיימנו? היה מאריך באחד

considerably for collation here. The passage may be also
found in B. Halper's *Post Biblical Hebrew Literature*.

on his lips⁵⁷. There issued a Daughter of the Voice⁵⁸ which proclaimed: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, that thy soul went forth with the word One. The Ministering Angels spake before the Holy One, blessed be He, Is this the Torah and this its reward? Is Thy hand governed by men, O Lord, by men of the world?⁵⁹ He replied to them: "Their portion is in the (future) life."⁶⁰ A Daughter of the Voice went forth and proclaimed: Happy art thou Rabbi 'Aqiba, inasmuch as thou art ready for the life of the world to come. (Berakot 61b).

7

JUDAH HA-NASI⁶¹

Our Rabbis have taught: In the hour of the demise of Rabbi (Judah), he said: I require the presence of my sons. His sons came to his side. He said to them: Take heed to honor your mother; let the lamp be lit, the table prepared and the couch spread in their wonted places. Joseph of Haifa and Simeon Ephratha ministered to me in my life-time, and they shall attend to me in my death... He then said unto them: I desire to see the Sages of Israel. They came in unto him. He said unto them: Make no mourning for me in the cities,⁶² but hold an

⁵⁷ "The Lord is One", Deut. 6.4.

⁵⁸ Comp. p. 11, note 28.

⁵⁹ Ps. 17.14. Should such a man have died at the hand of torturers, and not at God's hand?

⁶⁰ These words are the continuation of Ps. 17.14; they are interpreted to refer to the future life.

עד שיצתה נשמתו באחד. יצתה בת קול ואמרה
 אשריך רבי עקיבא שיצתה נשמתך באחד! אמרו
 מלאכי השרת לפני הקב"ה זו תורה וזו שכרה?
 ממתים ירך ה' ממתים מחלד. אמר להם חלקם
 בחיים. יצתה בת קול ואמרה אשריך רבי עקיבא
 שאתה מזומן לחיי העולם הבא: (ברכות ס"א ב')

ז

רבי יהודה הנשיא

ת"ר בשעת פטירתו של רבי אמר. לבני אני
 צריך! נכנסו בניו אצלו. אמר להם וזהרו בכבוד
 אמכם.⁴² נר יהא דלוק במקומו. שולחן יהא ערוך
 במקומו. מטה תהא מוצעת במקומה. יוסף חפני
 שמעון אפרתי הם שמשוני בחיי והם ישמשוני במותי:⁴³
 ...אמר להן לחכמי ישראל אני צריך! נכנסו אצלו
 חכמי ישראל. אמר להן אל תספדוני בעיירות.⁴⁴

⁴² T. J. Ketubot ix, 3 reads אל תזון אלמנתי מביתי

⁴³ In T. J. the direction is more general.

⁴⁴ T. J. adds מפני המחלוקת. See T. B. Sanhedrin 47a.

⁶¹ Compiler of the Mishnah: usually cited as "Rabbi" (simply).

⁶² T. J. interprets: because of dissension there would be too much emulation among those desirous of delivering orations. Another view was that Rabbi wished to spare his colleagues from trouble.

assembly (for study) after thirty days. Simeon my son is a Sage, Gamaliel my son shall be the Nasi, Ḥanina bar Ḥama shall sit at the head (of the assembly)...He then said unto them: I wish to see my younger son. R. Simeon came into his presence, and he delivered unto him the orders of wisdom. He then said unto them: I require the presence of my eldest son, and Rabban Gamaliel entered. He said unto him: Conduct thy office with the exalted, and act with aloofness toward the disciples...⁶³

He stretched his ten fingers on high and said: Master of the World! It is revealed and known before Thee that I have toiled with my ten fingers in the Torah, and have never derived personal advantage even with the little finger. May it be Thy will that peace may abide in my resting-place. A Daughter of the Voice went forth and said: He shall come in peace, they shall rest in their bed. (Ketubot 103 a-b).

Rabbi Hezekiah adds (that Rabbi Judah also directed): Place not many shrouds on me, and let my coffin be set open to the earth (T. J. Ketubot XII, 3).⁶⁴

Four things did our sainted Master⁶⁵ command his sons: Dwell not in Shekanzib;⁶⁶ sit not on

⁶³ Lit. 'cast bile amongst'. So Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 838. The meaning would be: "avoid over familiarity with them." On the Patriarch's severity, cf. Graetz, *History of the Jews*, E. T., ii, ch. 17.

⁶⁴ Not to delay decomposition.

⁶⁵ R. Judah ha-Nasi.

⁶⁶ A town in Babylonia (Persia), where (according to the Talmud) the people were mockers. (Cf. *J. E.* xi, 257).

והושיבו ישיבה לאחר שלשים יום. שמעון בני חכם
גמליאל בני נשיא חנינא בר חמא ישב בראש: ...אמר
להן לבני הקטן אני צריך! נכנס ר' שמעון אצלו.
מסר לו סדרי חכמה: אמר להן לבני הגדול אני
צריך! נכנס רבן גמליאל אצלו. ומסר לו סדרי
נשיאות: אמר לו בני! נהוג נשיאתך ברמים. זרוק
מרה בתלמידים!...

זקף עשר אצבעותיו כלפי מעלה. אמר רבונו
של עולם! גלוי וידוע לפניך שיגעתי בעשר אצבעותי
בתורה. ולא נהניתי אפילו באצבע קטנה. יהי רצון
מלפניך שיהא שלום במנוחת. יצתה בת קול
ואמרה. יבא שלום ינוחו על משכבותם! (כתובות ק"ג)

רבי חזקיה מוסיף. אל תרבו עלי תכריכין ותהא
ארוני נקובה לארץ. (ת"י כתובות י"ב נ')

ארבעה דברים צוה רבינו הקדוש את בניו.⁴⁵
אל תדור בשכנציב... ואל תשב על מטת⁴⁶ ארמית...

⁴⁵ M בנו.

⁴⁶ V. מטה.

the couch of an Aramaean woman;⁶⁷ do not seek to escape the payment of taxes; and stand not before an ox when it goes up from the meadow.⁶⁸ (Pesahim 112b).

8

RAB

And Rab said unto Rab Asi: Dwell not in a place where no horse neighs and no dog barks; dwell not in a place whose headman is a physician;⁶⁹ do not marry two wives, but if thou hast done so, marry a third.⁷⁰

Rab said unto R. Kahana: Deal in carcasses but not in words;⁷¹ strip the skin off a carcass in the market and take the profit, but say not I am a priest, I am a great man, and the thing is detestable to me. If thou hast ascended to the roof, take provision with thee. Though a hundred gourds may be bought in the city for a zuz, nevertheless take them under thy wings.⁷² (Pesah. 113a).

Rab said unto Hiyya his son: Drink no drugs, leap not over a ditch, have no tooth extracted, anger neither a snake nor an Aramaean.⁷³ (Ibid.)

⁶⁷ Comp. note 95 below.

⁶⁸ The Talmud adds: "because Satan dances (or leaps) between its horns," i. e. the animal is dangerous.

⁶⁹ He would be too occupied with professional duties.

⁷⁰ A humorous reminder that three would hardly combine against the husband.

⁷¹ "Gossip, sophistry," etc. (Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 361).

⁷² However short the journey, or however cheap food may be, never travel without provisions.

⁷³ Comp. note 95.

ואל תבריה עצמך מן המכס... ואל תעמוד בפני
השור בשעה שעולה מן האגם: (פסחים ק"ב ב')

ח

רב

ואמר ליה רב לרב אסי⁴⁷ לא תדור במתא דלא
צניף בה סוסיא ולא נבח בה כלבא, ואל תדור
בעיר דריש מתא אסיא, ולא תנסיב תרתי, אי נסבת
תרתי נסיב תלת:

אמר ליה רב לרב כהנא⁴⁸, הפוך בנבילתא ולא
תיפוך במילי. פשוט נבילתא בשוקא ושקיל אנרא
ולא תימא כהנא⁴⁹ אנא וגברא רבא אנא וסניא בי
מילתא. סלקת לאיגרא, שירותך⁵⁰ בהדך. מאה קרי
במתא בזוזא, תותי כנפיך ניהוו: (פסחים ק"ג א')

אמר ליה רב לחייא בריה, לא תשתי סמא. ולא
תשוור ניגרא. ולא תעקר ככא. ולא תקנא בחייוא.
ולא תקנא בארמאה: (שם)

47 M. אמר רב אסי. 48 M. רבא לרב הונא.

49 M. adds רבה. 50 M. במעה תותי.
כנפיך א"ל רב לרב חייא.

Rab said to his son Aibo: I have labored to teach thee law, without success; come, I will instruct thee in worldly affairs. While the dust is still on thy feet,⁷⁴ sell thy wares; you may regret a (premature) sale of anything except wine; untie thy purse, then open thy sack;⁷⁵ better a kab from the ground than a kor from the roof;⁷⁶ if thou hast dates in thy cask, run to the brewer.⁷⁷ (Ibid.).

9

JOSHUA B. LEVI

It was reported to Rabbi Joḥanan that aged men were to be found in Babylonia. He was surprised and said: "It is written: 'That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children *on the land*,' but outside the land not so." When, however, they told him that (these old Babylonians) are early and late in the Synagogues, he exclaimed: "This is what helps them." This agrees with what Rabbi Joshua son of Levi said to his sons: "Rise up early and stay up late and go to the Synagogue, so that you may prolong your life." R. Aḥa son of R. Ḥanina asked: "What Scriptural text is authority for this?" (The answer was:)

⁷⁴ Immediately on reaching the market.

⁷⁵ First receive the money.

⁷⁶ Do business with what is near, and trust less to distant ventures.

⁷⁷ Do not delay lest the dates be consumed.

אמר ליה רב לאיבו בריה, טרחי בכ בשמעתא
 ולא מסתייע מילתא תא אגמרך מילי דעלמא.
 אדחלא אכרעך זבינך זבין. כל מילי זבין ותחרט
 בר מחמרא דזבין ולא תחרט. שרי כיסיך פתח
 שקיך.⁵¹ קבא מארעא ולא כורא מאיגרא. תמרא
 בחלוך לבית סודנא רהוט:
 (שם)

ט

ר' יהושע בן לוי

אמרו ליה לרבי יוחנן איכא סבי בבבל. תמה.
 אמר למען ירבו ימיכם וימי בניכם על האדמה
 כתיב אבל בחוצה לארץ לא. כיון דאמרי ליה
 מקדמי ומחשכי לבי כנישתא אמר היינו דאהני
 להו. כדאמר רבי יהושע בן לוי לבניה קדימו
 וחשיכו ועיילו לבי כנישתא כי היכי דתורכו חיי.⁵²
 אמר ר' אחא ברבי חנינא מאי קראה? אשרי אדם

⁵¹ שרי שקך ופתח כיסך M.

⁵² ויתקיים תלמודיכו בידיכו א"ר אחא בר אדא M.

"Happy is the man that hearkeneth to Me,⁷⁸ watching daily at My gates, waiting at the posts of My doors," after which it is written: "For who findeth Me findeth life". (Berakot 8a).

10

A GROUP OF SAYINGS

i

King Jannaeus (on his death-bed) said to his wife (Queen Alexandra): Fear neither the Pharisees nor their opponents, but fear the hypocrites who pretend to be Pharisees, whose deeds are the deeds of Zimri, and who claim a reward like that of Phinehas⁷⁹. (Sota 22b).

ii

Onias the circle-drawer begged mercy and died. Raba said, this illustrates the popular saying: Either friendship or death.⁸⁰ (Ta'anit 23a).

iii

Rabbi Yannai said unto his sons: My sons:

⁷⁸ Prov. 8.34; applied here to God.

⁷⁹ Numbers 25.14. See Schürer, *Geschichte des jüdischen Volkes im Zeitalter Jesu Christi*, beginning of § 11.

⁸⁰ On Onias, see J.E. ix, 404; I. Abrahams, *Studies in Pharisaism*, Second Series, p. 81. He was the Rip Van Winkle of the Talmud; awaking after seventy years he found himself without comrades, and preferred death to isolation.

שומע לי לשקוד על דלתותי יום יום לשמור מזוזות
פתחי. וכתוב בתריה כי מצאי מצא חיים:⁵³

(ברכות ח' א')

י

מאמרים שונים

א

אמר לה ינאי מלכא לדביתהו אל תתיראי מן
הפרושין ולא ממי שאינן פרושין אלא מן הצבועין
שדומין לפרושין שמעשיהן כמעשה זמרי ומבקשין
שכר כפנחס:⁵⁴ (סוטה כ"ב ב')

ב

בעי (חוני המעגל) רחמי ומית. אמר רבא היינו
דאמרי אינשי או חברותא או מיתותא (תענית כ"ג א').

ג

והאמר להו רבי ינאי לבניו, בני! אל תקברוני

⁵³ M omits this text.

⁵⁴ On this passage see Derenbourg, *Essai sur l'Histoire et la Géographie de la Palestine*, p. 101.

Bury me neither in white nor in black shrouds;⁸¹ not in white, lest I be not found worthy and I shall be as a bridegroom among mourners; not in black, lest I be found worthy, and I shall be as a mourner among bridegrooms. But bury me in court garments⁸² that come from overseas. (Niddah 20a).

iv

In earlier times, the funeral was a more serious matter to a man's relatives than his death⁸³, so that they would leave him and flee. Then came Rabban Gamaliel who directed simpler obsequies for himself, and (in obedience to his instructions)⁸⁴ they carried him out in a linen shroud. This custom thereafter became the general habit. R. Papa said: Nowadays it is the general rule to spend but a zuz⁸⁵ on the shroud. (Ketubot, 8b).

v

'Ulla had gone down from Palestine (to Babylonia). When his end was approaching, he started to weep. 'Why weep?' his associates

⁸¹ Similar orders are recorded of other Rabbis; cf. Johanan (Bereshit Rabba 96.5). See also T. J. Kil. ix,3, Ketubot ix,3. Thus the Palestinian Amora Jeremiah asked to be so clothed and equipped as to be ready to rise and follow the Messiah.

⁸² Of mixed colors. See S. Krauss, *Talmudische Archaeologie*, I, 145, 549.

⁸³ Owing to the costly funeral rites.

⁸⁴ His instructions are found in T. B. Mo'ed Katan, 27b.

⁸⁵ A very small coin.

לא בכלים לבנים ולא בכלים שחורים. לבנים,
 שמא לא אזכה ואהיה כחתן בין אבילים. שחורים,
 שמא אזכה ואהיה כאבל בין חתנים. אלא בכלים
 האוליירין הבאין ממדינת הים: (גדה כ' א')

ד

בראשונה היתה הוצאת המת קשה לקרוביו
 יותר ממיתתו. עד שהיו מניחים אותו ובורחים. עד
 שבא רבן גמליאל ונהג קלות⁵⁵ בעצמו. והוציאוהו
 בכלי פשתן ונהגו כל העם אחריו להוציא בכלי
 פשתן. אמר רב פפא והאידנא נהוג עלמא אפילו
 בצרדא⁵⁷ בר זוזא (כתובות ח' ב').

ה

עולא נחותא הוה אידמך תמן שרי בכי. אמרין
 ליה מה לך בכי? אנן מסקין לך לארעא דישראל.

⁵⁵ M. adds ראש.

⁵⁶ In Mo'ed Qatan 27b ויצא.

⁵⁷ For variants see Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 1299, s. v.

asked, 'we will carry thee to the land of Israel for burial.' He rejoined, 'What will that profit me, if I lose my jewel⁸⁶ in an unclean land; to place it in a strange woman's bosom is far different from placing it in the bosom of one's mother.' R. Meir was dying in Asia and he said: Say ye to the sons of the land of Israel, behold your Messiah!⁸⁷ (Though he knew that he would be buried in Palestine), he nevertheless said to them: 'Place my coffin by the sea-shore,⁸⁸ for it is written: He hath founded it upon the seas and established it upon the floods'⁸⁹. (J. T. Kilaim IX, 4).

vi

Three things did Rabbi Ishmael son of R. Jose command his son: Cause no blemish to thyself;⁹⁰ do not negotiate a purchase when thou hast no money;⁹¹ and when thy wife has taken a ritual bath, do not approach her on the first night. (Pesahim 112b).

vii

Three things did Rabbi Jose son of R. Judah

⁸⁶ i. e. soul.

⁸⁷ An impassioned claim for burial in Palestinian soil.

⁸⁸ Thus the sea which washes the land of Israel might touch his bones. The text quoted is Psalm 24.2.

⁸⁹ On the desirability of interment in the Holy Land, see Genesis Rabbah, ch. 96 and parallels.

⁹⁰ The Talmud explains this of bringing a lawsuit against three people, as each defendant would have cor-

אמר לון ומה הנייה לי? אנא מובד מרגליתי גו ארעא
 מסאבתא. לא דומה הפולטה בחיק אמו לפולטה
 בחיק נכריה: רבי מאיר הוה אידמך ליה באסייא.
 אמר אימורין לבני ארעא דישראל הא משיחון
 דידכון. אפילו כן אמר לון יהבי ערסי על גיף ימא
 דכתיב כי הוא על ימים יסדה ועל נהרות יכוננה
 (ירושלמי כלאים פרק ט' ד')

1

שלשה דברים צוה ר' ישמעאל ברבי יוסי את
 בנו.⁵⁸ אל תעש מום בעצמך. ואל תעמוד על המקח
 בשעה שאין לך דמים. אשתך טבלה אל תזקק לה⁵⁹
 לילה הראשונה: (פסחים ק"ב ב')

2

שלשה דברים צוה רבי יוסי ברבי⁶⁰ יהודה את

⁵⁸ רבי V.

⁵⁹ עמה M.

⁶⁰ M omits יוסי ברבי.

roborative support. The sentence can be interpreted more generally.

⁹¹ Thereby preventing the vendor from finding a firmer customer.

command Rab:⁹² Go not out alone by night; stand not naked in front of a lamp; and enter not a new bath.⁹³ (Ibid.).

viii

Raba said to his sons: When you cut meat, do not cut it on your hand;⁹⁴ do not sit on the couch of an Aramaean⁹⁵ woman; and do not pass a Synagogue⁹⁶ at the time when the congregation is at prayer.⁹⁷ (Berakot 8b).

ix

Rabbi Johanan said:⁹⁸ The Holy One, blessed be He, daily proclaims the virtues of three: a bachelor who lives in a great city and maintains his chastity; a poor man who restores a lost object to its owners; and a rich man who gives a tithe of his profits in secret. (Pesahim 113a).

Three doth the Holy One, blessed be He, love: him who does not yield to anger; him that never becomes intoxicated; and him who does not stand on his rights. Three doth the Holy One, blessed be He, hate: him who says one thing with his mouth and (thinks) another thing in his heart;

⁹² These acts would be dangerous or immodest. The Talmudic glosses explain these precautions in terms of demonology.

⁹³ The bath may need inspection as to its safety.

⁹⁴ The Talmud explains that this was either to avoid danger or spoiling the food.

⁹⁵ Aramaean is used of Gentile in general; here Roman may be meant. The Talmud gives various explanations of Raba's rule: among them that the meaning was not to

רב.⁶¹ אל תצא יחידי בלילה, ואל תעמוד בפני הנר
 ערום, ואל תכנס למרחץ חדש⁶²:
 (שם)

ח

אמר להו רבא לבניה כשאתם חותכין בשר אל
 תחתכו על גב היד...⁶³ ואל תשבו על מטת ארמית.
 ואל תעברו אחורי בית הכנסת בשעה שהצבור
 מתפללין.
 (ברכות ח' ב')

ט

אמר ר' יוחנן. שלשה מכריז עליהם הקדוש
 ברוך הוא בכל יום על רווק הדר בכרך ואינו
 חוטא. ועל עני המחזיר אבידה לבעליה. ועל עשיר
 המעשר פירותיו בצינעה:
 (פסחים ק"ג א')

שלשה הקב"ה אוהבן. מי שאינו כועס. ומי שאינו
 משתכר ומי שאינו מעמיד על מדותיו: שלשה הקב"ה
 שונאן. המדבר אחד בפה ואחד בלב. והיודע ערות

⁶¹ V רבי. ⁶² The following words seem an addition. ⁶³ M adds על פיסת היד.

lie down to rest before reciting the Shema' (Deut. 6.4, etc.), for this would be to play the heathen.

⁹⁶ Lit., behind a Synagogue.

⁹⁷ This would be an irreverent action.

⁹⁸ The following, with several other passages in the context, is often cited by the authors of Ethical Wills.

him who can give testimony in a fellowman's favor but does not testify; him who sees a disgraceful thing in his neighbor and charges him singly.⁹⁹ (Pesaḥim 113b).

X

A certain Elder said to him¹⁰⁰: We have learned that one should neither anticipate nor postpone¹⁰¹ (the readings); as R. Joshua son of Levi said to his sons: Finish your Parashot with the congregation, twice the Hebrew text and once the Targum; also take care with the jugular vein in accordance with R. Judah's opinion.¹⁰² Take heed moreover (to show respect) to an old man who has forgotten his learning under compulsion,¹⁰³ for we say: The whole tablets (of stone) and the fragments of the broken tablets were both placed in the Ark.¹⁰⁴ (Berakot 8b).

⁹⁹ A single witness could not cause a conviction, but could merely bring the defendant into ill-repute.

¹⁰⁰ R. Bebai b. Abbai.

¹⁰¹ The discussion concerns the home readings of the weekly lesson (parashah). This lesson (besides being read in Synagogue) was read at home, twice in the Hebrew and once in the Aramaic Version (Targum). The home reading was to be the same portion as the Synagogue lesson. It thus linked together each home with all homes, and all with the communal service.

¹⁰² The reference is to the slaughter of birds. Cf. Mishnah Hulin ii, 1.

¹⁰³ Of age, sorrow or illness.

¹⁰⁴ Cf. Baba Batra 14b. "Similarly one must respect the old though they be broken by years of trouble" (Cohen).

לחבירו⁶⁴ ואינו מעיד. הרואה דבר ערוה בחבירו
ומעיד בו יחידי:

(שם ב')

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אמר ליה ההוא סבא תנינא ובלבד שלא יקדים
ושלא יאחר.⁶⁵ כדאמר להו רבי יהושע בן לוי לבניה
אשלימו פרשיותיכו עם הצבור שנים מקרא ואחד
תרגום והזהרו בורידין כרבי יהודה... והזהרו בזקן
ששכח תלמודו מחמת אונסו.⁶⁶ דאמרינן לוחות ושברי
לוחות מונחות בארון:⁶⁷

(ברכות ח' ב')

⁶⁴ V בחבירו.

⁶⁵ M adds: וכך א"ל אב"י לבניה אשלימו פר' בהדי צבורא תרי קרא וחד תרגום ואפילו עטרות ודיבון כ"ה דתורכו יומי.

⁶⁶ M שאלין נוהגים בו מנהג בזיון דאמר מר לוחות.

⁶⁷ M adds: מכאן לזקן ששכח תלמודו מחמת אונס שאלין נוהגים בו מנהג בזיון.

11

CAUSES OF LONGEVITY

His disciples inquired of R. Joḥanan b. Zakkai: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never passed water within four cubits of the place of prayer; I never called my fellow-man by a nickname;¹⁰⁵ nor did I ever omit the Sanctification of the Day.¹⁰⁶ My aged mother once sold the cap off her head and brought to me (wine for) the Sanctification of the Day. . .

His disciples inquired of R. Eleazar son of Shammu'a: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never made use of the Synagogue as a short cut; I never stepped on the heads of the holy people;¹⁰⁷ nor did I ever raise my hands¹⁰⁸ without a (previous) benediction.

The disciples inquired of R. Perida: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: Never in my life did another arrive at the Bet Hamidrash¹⁰⁹ before me; I never said the Grace before a priest;¹¹⁰ nor did I ever eat of an animal from which the priestly dues had not been separated.¹¹¹

His disciples inquired of R. Neḥunya ben Haḳana: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: I never won honor at the

¹⁰⁵ Cf. Baba Mezi'a 58b.

¹⁰⁶ The sanctification over the wine-cup on Sabbaths and feasts.

¹⁰⁷ In the assembly, the disciples sat on the ground; Eleazar did not push them aside to reach his place.

¹⁰⁸ In the priestly blessing. ¹⁰⁹ House of Study.

יא

במה הארכת ימים?

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי זכאי. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא השתנתי מים בתוך ארבע אמות של תפלה. ולא כניתי שם לחבירי. ולא ביטלתי קידוש היום. אמא זקינה היתה לי. פעם אחת מכרה כפה שבראשה והביאה לי קידוש היום: שאלו תלמידיו את ר' אלעזר בן שמוע. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא עשיתי קפנדריא לבית הכנסת.⁶⁸ ולא פסעתי על ראשי עם קדוש. ולא נשאתי כפי בלא ברכה:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי פרידא. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא קדמני אדם לבית המדרש. ולא ברכתי לפני כהן. ולא אכלתי מבהמה שלא הורמו מתנותיה:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי נחוניא בן הקנה. במה הארכת ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא נתכבדתי בקלון

לא עשיתי בהכ"נ קפנדריא ⁶⁸ M

¹¹⁰ If a Cohen were present, he took precedence in saying Grace after meals.

¹¹¹ Such scrupulosity was not general after the destruction of the Temple.

cost of a colleague's¹¹² disgrace; never did the curse of my fellow-man come up on my couch—just as Mar-Zuṭra, when he went to bed, was wont to say: Let every one be forgiven who has done me annoy. Further, I was generous with my money.

R. 'Aqiba inquired of R. Neḥunya the Great, saying: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto him: I never in my life accepted presents; I never exacted retaliation;¹¹³ and I was generous with my money.

So was R. Eleazar wont to refuse gifts sent from the house of the Patriarch. Nor would he accept invitations there, saying, Is it unpleasant to you that I should live? for it is written (Prov. 15. 27): He who hates gifts shall live. R. Zera refused gifts and accepted invitations under similar circumstances, regarding it as a compliment to his host. Nor did I bear resentment for offences against me. For Raba said: He who pardons others is himself pardoned of his own transgressions. As it is written (Micah 7.18): He forgives iniquity and he passes over transgression. To whom does He forgive iniquity? The one who passes over transgression.

His disciples inquired of R. Zera: How didst thou prolong thy days? He answered unto them: Never did I lose my temper in my home; never

¹¹² Or fellow-man's.

¹¹³ More generally: "I never insisted on my just rights." Rashi's note is: "I never repaid an evil requital to one who had troubled me."

חבירי. ולא עלתה על מטתי קללת חבירי.⁶⁹ כי הא
דמר זוטרא כי הוה סליק לפורייה אמר שרי ליה⁷⁰
לכל מאן דצערן. וותרן בממוני הייתי.

שאל ר' עקיבא את ר' נחוניא הגדול. אמר לו
במה הארכת ימים? אמר לו. מימי לא קבלתי
מתנות. ולא עמדתי על מדותי. וותרן בממוני הייתי:

לא קבלתי מתנות כי הא דרבי אלעזר. כי הוו
משדרי ליה מתנות מבי נשיאה לא הוה שקיל. כי
הוה מזמני ליה לא הוה אזיל. אמר להו לא ניחא
לכו דאחיה? דכתיב ושונא מתנות יחיה. רבי זירא
כי הוה משדרי ליה מבי נשיאה לא הוה שקיל. כי
הוה מזמני ליה אזיל. אמר אתייקורי דמתייקרי בי.
ולא עמדתי על מדותי. דאמר רבא כל המעביר
על מדותיו מעבירין⁷¹ ממנו כל פשעיו. שנאמר נשא
עון ועבר על פשע. למי נשא עון? למי שעבר על
פשע:

שאלו תלמידיו את רבי זירא. במה הארכת
ימים? אמר להם. מימי לא הקפדתי בתוך ביתי.

⁶⁹ M. קללת חבירי על מטתי לא עלתה עמי.

⁷⁰ M. שרי להו מחיל לכל מאן דצערן.

⁷¹ M. לו על כל.

did I step in front of one greater than myself; I never even meditated in foul alleys; I never walked four cubits without Torah and Tephillin; I never slept or dozed in the Bet Hamidrash; I never rejoiced at a colleague's disgrace; I never called a fellow-man by a nickname¹¹⁴ (Megillah 27b-28a.)

It was said of R. Hanina B. Hama that when eighty years of age he was still able to stand on one foot while removing or putting on his shoe. He said: 'The warm baths, and the oil with which my mother anointed me in my youth have stood me in good stead in my age'.¹¹⁵ (When the Patriarch Judah appointed him head of the college on his death-bed) Hanina refused any higher than third place, and he survived many years. His longevity in office was attributed by himself alternatively to that act of self denial or to his making a detour on his journey from Tiberias to Sephoris in order to pay his respects to R. Simeon b. Halaftha. (Hullin, 24b; J. T. Ta'anit, 68a; Kohelet Rabbah, vii, 6).

¹¹⁴ "An opprobrious surname" or "a by-name." (Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 482). The use of such names would be both frivolous and offensive.

¹¹⁵ Hanina was a physician, cf. Bacher, *Die Agadah der Palästinenensischen Amoräer*, I. 3.

ולא צעדתי בפני מי שגדול ממני. ולא הרהרתי
 במבואות המטונפות. ולא הלכתי ארבע אמות
 בלא תורה ובלא תפלין.⁷² ולא ישנתי בבית המדרש
 לא שינת קבע ולא שינת ארעי. ולא ששתי בתקלת
 חבירי. ולא קראתי לחבירי בחניכתי.⁷³ (פגלה כ"ז כ"ח)
 אמרו עליו על רבי חנינא (ב' חמא) שהיה בן
 שמונים שנה והיה עומד על רגלו אחת וחולץ מנעלו
 ונועל מנעלו. אמר ר' חנינא חמין ושמן שסכתני
 אמי בילדותי הן עמדו לי בעת זקנותי... קביל עלוי
 ר' חנינא למתמני תליתוי וזכה למארכה שנין סגין.
 אמר לית אנא ידע מן בגין מה זכיתי מארכה שנין
 סגין. מן בגין הדא מילתא. ואם מן בגין דהוינא סליק
 מן טבריה לציפורין והוינא עקים איסטרטיא שאיל
 בשלמיה דרבי שמעון בן הלפתא: (חולין כ"ד ב', ירושלמי
 תענית ס"ח א, קהלת רבה ז' ו).

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ספר ארחות חיים להרב ר' אליעזר הגדול

THE "PATHS OF LIFE", BY R. ELEAZAR
THE GREAT.

II

THE "PATHS OF LIFE"

BY R. ELEAZAR THE GREAT.

In 1544 there appeared at Venice an octavo volume containing various items, fourth among them (pp. 79b-84a) the "Paths of Life by Rabbi Eleazar the Great" (ספר ארחות חיים לרבי אליעזר הגדול ז"ל). It is generally held that this Testament is the earliest extant specimen of the type of ethical literature dealt with in the present volume; and its author was Eleazar ben Isaac of Worms; and that its date is the middle of the eleventh century. This Eleazar, known as the Great, was a highly reputed authority (see *J. E.*, v, 115).

This identification of the author is due to Lonzano (*Shete Yadot* 122a) and is accepted by Zunz (*Zur Geschichte und Literatur*, Berlin, 1845, p. 124). Jellinek was inclined to place the work a century or more earlier, or at all events to associate it with the same period as another work attributed to Eleazar the Great, viz. the *Chapters of Rabbi Eleazar*, which is probably a ninth century product. The present writer is inclined to place the *Paths of Life* later, not earlier, than the date assigned by Lonzano. The similarity between the Testament and the Zohar, a similarity well brought out by the title-page of the Salonica edition of 1568 and by the notes in Leiner's Lublin edition of 1903, seems to point to a period when the mystical school had made its influence felt.

Popularly and in the editions, the author is described as a much earlier Eleazar than Lonzano's. This would be

ספר ארחות חיים להרב ר' אליעזר הגדול:

בשנת ש"ד יצא לאור בויניציה כרך אקטאווא המכיל ענינים שונים, ומהם הרביעי (דף ע"ט:-פ"ד). ספר „ארחות חיים“ לרבי אליעזר הגדול ז"ל. הכל מסכימים שהצואה הזאת היא הדוגמא היותר מוקדמת שנשארה לנו מספרות המוסר ממין זה אשר אנחנו עוסקים בו בכרך שלפנינו, שמחברה היה רבי אליעזר בן יצחק מוורמזיה, ושזמנה הוא אמצע המאה האחת עשרה. אליעזר זה, המכונה „הגדול“, היה בר אורין משובח ובר סמכא מפורסם (ע"ן באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך חמישי, דף קט"ו).

מנחם לונזאנו (שתי ידות, דף קכ"ב.) המציא את שם המחבר הנעלם, וצונץ (צור געשיכטע אונד ליטעראטור, ברלין תר"ה, דף קכ"ד) הסכים לו. יעללינעק נטה להאמין שספר זה נכתב כמאה שנים או יותר קודם לזמן הנזכר לעיל, ובכל אופן השתדל ליחסו לתקופתו של חבור אחר המיוחס לרבי אליעזר הגדול, הלא הוא „פרקי רבי אליעזר“ אשר מוצאו הוא בלי ספק מן המאה התשיעית. כותב הטורים האלה נוטה לקבוע לספר „ארחות חיים“ זמן יותר מאוחר, ולא מוקדם, מזה שקבע לו לונזאנו. הדמיון שבין הצואה והזהר, דמיון הבולט היטב ע"י שער הספר של מהדורת סלוניקא שכ"ח וההערות במהדורת לובלין תרס"ג של ליינער, מורה על תקופה שבה השפעת האסכולה המיסתית היתה כבר נכרת ומורגשת.

במסורת העם ובמהדורות הספר מתואר המחבר אליעזר כמו איש שחי שנים הרבה לפני אליעזר של לונזאנו. אפשר

Eleazar ben Hyrkanos (on whom see *J.E.*, v, 113), who lived in the first and second centuries of the current era, and is also the reputed author of the *Chapters* already alluded to. The text opens with the talmudic account of the last illness of this older Eleazar (T. B. Sanhedrin 68a). Elsewhere (Ber. 28b) we are told how R. Eleazar on his death-bed taught his disciples the "*Paths of Life*", and this fact would easily suggest the compilation of just such a work as we are now considering.

Recently a distinguished scholar, G. Klein of Stockholm, has urged that the Testament is a genuine work of the earlier Eleazar son of Hyrkanos. His arguments are interesting but quite unconvincing (See his work *Der älteste christliche Katechismus und die jüdische Propaganda-Literatur*, Berlin, 1909, pp. 101 seq.).

According to the popular view now reinforced by the opinion of Klein, the son addressed is Hyrkanos. If Lonzano's theory be true, the son referred to is the famous medieval writer, Tobiah son of Eleazar, a contemporary of Rashi. (On Tobiah and his writings, see Zunz, *G. V.*, ed. 1892, p. 307; S. Buber's Preface to Tobiah's *Leḳaḥ Tob*, Wilna, 1844; and the article in *J. E.*, xii, 169). Thus this son, so frequently admonished in the Testament, was a worthy offspring of a worthy father. It may be suggested that, in the injunction to seek the knowledge of God, the citation of Prov. 19. 2 (בלא דעת נפש לא טוב) is a play on the son's name.

שחשבוהו לאליעזר בן הורקנוס (ראה אודותיו באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך חמישי, דף קי"ג) שחי במשך המאות הראשונה והשניה של התאריך הנוכחי ואשר אליו מיחסים את פרקי רבי אליעזר הנזכרים לעיל. הצואה פותחת בספור התלמוד ע"ד מחלתו האחרונה של אליעזר זה הקדום (תלמוד בבלי, סנהדרין ס"ח.). במקום אחר (ברכות כ"ח:) אנחנו קוראים שעל ערש מיתתו הורה רבי אליעזר לתלמידיו, אורחות חיים, ואין כל ספק שעובדא זו היא אחראית בעד חבור ספר כזה אשר אנחנו עוסקים בו כעת.

בימים האחרונים השתדל תלמיד חכם מובהק, ג. קליין משטוקהולם, להוכיח שהצואה הזאת היא באמת מעשה ידי אליעזר בן הורקנוס. סברותיו יש בהן טעם, אבל אינן מוכיחות כלום (עיין בחבורו, דער אלטעסטע כריסטליכע קאטעכיזמוס אונד דיע יודישע פראפאגאנדא-ליטעראטור, ברלין תרס"ט, דף ק"א וכו').

לפי השקפת העם, המסתייעה כעת ע"י דעתו של קליין, הבן אשר אליו שלוחה הצואה הוא הורקנוס. אכן אם סברתו של לונזאנו היא נכונה, הבן הוא המחבר המפורסם של ימי הבינים, טוביה בן אליעזר, בן דורו של רש"י (ע"ד טוביה וספריו ראה צונץ, גאטטעסדיענסטליכע פארטרעגע, הוצאת תרנ"ב, דף ש"ז; הקדמת שלמה בובער ל. לקח טוב של טוביה, ווילנא תר"ב; וגם המאמר עליו באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שנים עשר, דף קס"ט). ובכן הבן הזה, אשר אביו מיסרהו כל כך בצואתו, היה זרע הגון של אב הגון. נחוץ להעיר שבאזהרתו להשתדל לדעת את הבורא יתברך אפשר שהכתוב ממלי י"ט ב' (בלא דעת נפש לא טוב) הוא רמז לשמו של הבן.

The Testament, besides its ethical value, has also folklore interest. Some parallels between the Testament and the German *Winsbeke* of 1210 are drawn by M. Güdemann in his *Geschichte des Erziehungswesens*, etc. Vienna, 1880, p. 121.

For editions of the text see Benjacob, p. 50. The present text is based on the Venice editions of 1544 (A) and 1623 (C). The British Museum MS. Add. 27100 (B) has also been collated, and so has the Lublin edition apparently of the year 1572 (L). The MS. referred to agrees closely with the edition of 1544, from which it was possibly copied. Yet it offers some useful variants.

The esteem in which the Testament was held is shown by the not infrequent citations of it as authoritative by important writers on Jewish law and custom.

[They told¹ how, when Rabbi Eleazar the Great lay sick, the Sages paid him a visit. When he saw them he said to them: "I doubt whether the wise men of this generation have enough regard for their lives".² They asked: "Rabbi, why speakest thou so?" He answered, "In that ye have not waited upon me." Later, R. 'Aqiba entered, excusing his previous neglect on the ground of lack of leisure. 'Aqiba's heart melted within him at R. Eleazar's rebuke. "My Master," cried 'Aqiba, "instruct me!" In that hour Eleazar taught him three hundred definite decisions concerning the "spot sparkling as snow".³

¹ See the Variants in T. B. Sanh. 68a; Abot de R. Nathan, ch. 25; and parallels.

² A threat is implied to the effect that the offence may have fatal consequences.

³ With reference to the plague. Cf. Nega'im i, 1, etc.

מלבד ערכה המוסרי יש לצואה זו גם ערך פולקלורי. מ. גידעמאן, בספרו „געשיכטע דעס ערציעהונסוועזענס אונד דער קולטור דער אבענדלענדישען יודען וועהרענד דעס מיטטעאלטערס“, וויען תר"ס, דף קכ"א, מצא איזו נקודות מקבילות בין הצואה הזאת ושיר המוסר שכתב המשורר האשכנזי ווינסבעקע בערך שנת 1210.

בנוגע להוצאות הצואה עיין ב. אוצר הספרים של בן-יעקב, דף נ'. הנוסח הנוכחי נוסד על מהדורות וויניציאה של ש"ד (A) ושפ"ג (C). השויתי גם כ"י Add. 27100 אשר במחוז הבריטי (B) ומהדורת לובלין אשר כפי הנראה מוצאה משנת של"ב (L). כ"י הנ"ל מתאים עפ"י רוב למהדורת ש"ד, ואפשר שהוא העתק ממנה; ובכ"ז נמצאים בו איזה שינויים מועילים. חשיבות הצואה נראית מן העובדא שלפעמים קרובות נסתייעו בה מחברים גדולים ופוסקים מפורסמים וביאו את דבריה בתור סעד וסמך לחוקים ומנהגים ידועים.

ינאמרו שכשחלה רבי אליעזר הגדול נכנסו חכמים אצלו: כשראה אותם, אמר להם, תמה אני על חכמי הדור אם ימותון מיתת עצמן: אמרו לו, רבי למה? אמר להם, מפני שלא שמשתם אותי: לאחר כך נכנס רבי עקיבא ברבי יוסף: אמר לו, מפני מה לא באת לשמש אותי? אמר לו, לא היה לי פנאי: אמר לו, עקיבא תמה אני אם תמות מיתת עצמך: באותה שעה נתחלחלו איבריו של רבי עקיבא ונמס לבו³ בקרבו: אמר לו, רבי למדני!

¹ This introduction appears in all versions of the text.

² B נח לו. ³ A דמו.

Then he called for his son Hyrkanos, and placed him at his right hand. R. Eleazar wept and said: "My son! Up to this day I have treated thee severely, and have shown little affability. My object was to subdue thee to the fear of thy Maker. But now, my son, behold I go into the pleasance of the Lord and His beauty. Come, I will teach thee the Paths of Life." Then R. Eleazar opened his discourse with the text ⁴: "Lord I have heard the report of thee and am afraid."]

My son! Give glory to God and offer unto Him thanks. Remember that He created thee out of clay, and brought thee into the world, fashioning thy body and its parts without help from thee. For thou hast need of Him, He has no need of thee.

My son! Trust not in thyself until the day of thy death⁵; a decision according to the Rabbis is law (i. e. overrides individual opinion). Have no confidence in thy physical well-being in this world. Many have lain down on their couch never to rise again. Many have gone to their beds in good cheer and in robust health to awake in trouble and pain.

My son! Take heed to hold constant intercourse with the wise. Rely not on thine own

⁴ Hab. 3.2.

⁵ Hillel's saying, Abot ii, 5. It has not been thought necessary to give the reference to the many quotations from Abot, in the course of this and other Testaments.

באותה שעה שנה לו שלש מאות הלכות פסוקות
 על בהרת עזה כשלג: קרא להורקנוס בנו. וישימהו
 על יד ימינו: בכה רבי אליעזר ואמר, בני! עד היום
 הייתי מתנהג עמך ברוגז. ולא הסברתי לך פנים
 כדי לכופ אותך ביראת קונך. ועתה בני! הנני הולך
 לנועם ה' והדרו. בא ואלמדך אורחת חיים: פתח
 רבי אליעזר ואמר, ה' שמעתי שמעך יראתי:

בני! שים נא כבוד לה' ותן לו תודה, וזכור כי
 מחומר עשאך והוא הוציאך לאויר העולם. וכונך
 בעצמות עצם אל עצמו. והכניסך בעולם הזה
 ואתה לא הכנסתו בו. כי הוא אינו צריך לך ואתה
 צריך לו:

בני! אל תאמין בעצמך עד יום מותך. הלכתא
 כרבנן הלכתא. אבל לא תאמין עצמך בשלות גופך
 בעולם הזה: כמה שכבו על מטתם ולא קמו.⁴ כמה
 שכבו על מטתם שמחים וטובי לב וקמו בחלאים
 רעים. כמה שכבו על מטתם בריאים והקיצו
 במכאובים רבים:⁵

בני! הוי זהיר להתאבק תמיד באבק עפר רגלי

⁴ So L. The usual reading is הכנסת.

⁵ C omits this clause. ⁶ So C. A רעים.

opinion, nor art thou permitted to say to others: "Accept my view!"

My son! Fear the God of thy father and serve Him⁶. Be diligent in reciting the evening Shema' and the morning prayer⁷. Thus David, of blessed memory, said⁸: "Evening and morning and at noonday will I complain and moan,—and He hath heard my voice." These prayers were the ordinance of the first Fathers⁹. Attach chief importance to the evening prayer, for Jacob our Father instituted it. Indeed, the Scripture has made him first of the Patriarchs, as it is said¹⁰: "And behold the Lord stood beside him and said, I am the Lord, the God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac." Thus, in the first instance God mentioned His holy name over Jacob, and afterwards spoke of Himself as God of Abraham and of Isaac.

My son! Be thou fleet as a hart, in thine eagerness to read the Shema' at the proper hour. Postpone it not to the latest moment allowed by prescription. For the enthusiastic and the scrupulous perform their duties at the earliest instant.¹¹ Whoever reads the Shema' in its due time glorifies his Creator. Take care, on retiring to rest, to recite this same declaration of Unity and Love, sanctifying thyself and ador-

⁶ The context shows that the author is referring to the fine rabbinic idea that "Prayer is the service of the heart" (T. B. Ta'anit 24).

⁷ The text seems corrupt here.

⁸ Psalms 55.18.

⁹ T. B. Ber. 26b.

החכמים. ואל תסמוך על דעתך. ואינך רשאי לומר
קבלו דעתי!

בני! ירא את ה' אלהי אביך ועבדהו. והוי זהיר
בקריאת שמע של ערבית ובתפלה של שחרית.
כמו שאמר דוד ע"ה, ערב ובקר וצהרים אשיחה
ואהמה וישמע קולי. כמו שתקנו אבות הראשונים:
ותפלת ערבית שים ראשונה לכל התפלות. כי
יעקב אבינו תקן אותה. והכתוב עשהו ראש לכל
האבות. שנאמר, והנה ה' נצב עליו ויאמר אני ה'
אלהי אברהם אביך ואלהי יצחק. בתחלה הזכיר
שמו הקדוש עליו ואחר כך אלהי אברהם ואלהי
יצחק:

בני! הוי קל כצבי ואל תהי עצל לקרוא ק"ש
בעונתה. ואל תעכב אותה לשיעור דרבנן. כי
הזריזים והזהירים מקדימים למצות. וכל הקורא
ק"ש בעונתה נותן כבוד לבוראו: הוי זהיר בק"ש
על מטתך ולקדש עצמך ולברך לבוראך. ושכבת
וערבה שנתך: ולאחר שתקדש עצמך בזה אל תספר

⁷ A and C עשו. Such variants are not here collated.

⁸ So L. A, etc. read ואל.

¹⁰ Gen. 28.13. Cf. Tanḥuma and Zohar on this text.

¹¹ T. B. Yoma 28b.

ing the Lord, then shalt thou lie down and thy sleep will be pleasant. After thou hast sanctified thyself by these means, speak no idle phrase, do no carnal act, for thou art hallowed with the holiness of thy Maker. Thy soul ascends, and thou knowest not whether it deserve admission before Him. "When thou awakest it shall talk with thee".¹² The sons of the priests enter to partake of their appointed meal and thy soul ascends at that hour; if thou art worthy, thou shalt go in with them; if unworthy, they will thrust thee outside.¹³

My son, when thou wakest from thy sleep at midnight, converse with thy wife in chaste terms, using no indecent expression, even in jest, for this too wilt thou be called to account! If thou wakest at other hours, let not thine heart indulge in impure fancies, for evil thought leads to evil deed.¹⁴ How goodly and how sweet that thou be ever prepared to form one of the righteous company which enters with God, thus drawing o'er thyself the thread of His Love, and finding thy pleasant lot with the righteous in Paradise! Shouldst thou be worthy of this, happy art thou, well will it be with thee!¹⁵

My son! Keep a vessel of water always near thy couch. On rising at morn do not begin to dress before washing thy hands, nor receive thy garments from another in the same condition, for

¹² Prov. 6.22.

¹³ Cf. Midrash to Psalm 25; Rabbah on Eccles. 10.4.

¹⁴ Kallah Rabbete ch. 2; Derek Erez Zutṭa ch. 6.

¹⁵ Psalm 128.2.

בדברים בטלים. ואל תעסוק עם אשתך בדבר אחר הואיל וכבר קדשת עצמך בקדושת קונך. כי נשמתך תעלה ואינך יודע היאך יקבלוה לעמוד לפניו. והקיצות היא תשיחך. בני! הכהנים נכנסין לאכול בתרומתן ונשמתך עולה באותה שעה. אם תזכה תכנס ביניהן ואם לאו ידחו אותך בחוץ: בני! כשתעור משנתך בחצות הלילה, אז תספר עם אשתך בקדושה. ואל תנבל את פוך, ואפילו דרך שחוק. כי אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון על שיחה שבינך ובין אשתך: וכשתקיץ⁹ משנתך אל יפנה לבך בהרהורים רעים. כי ההרהור מביא לידי מעשה: הנה מה טוב ומה נעים כשהקב"ה נכנס עם הצדיקים, שתהיה מצוי בתוכן. למשוך חוט של חסד עליך, להיות גורלך¹⁰ עם הצדיקים בגן עדן. ואם תזכה ותהיה עמהם אשריך וטוב לך! בני! הוי זהיר בכלי של מים סמוך למטתך. וכשתקום בבקר, אל תטול חלוקך ללבוש בלא

⁹ וכשתקוץ A. וכשתקוע B.

¹⁰ גור לך I.

the spirit of uncleanness rests on the hands. Pass not thine unwashed hands over thine eyes, intending harm to an enemy, lest thy plot fail and thy gaze prove baneful to thy friends, though harmless to thy foes.¹⁶

My son! Keep thy body pure, cleanse the abode of thy soul! Beware lest thou make it detestable, thyself the cause of thine own rejection!

My son! Be not impatient when I thus insist on this subject. Laving the hands is one of the sublime things which stand on the height of the world. Beware, lest by neglect in this regard, thou become as one excommunicated, and forfeit future bliss. For when thou wasthest thy hands thou art bound to stretch them on high in adoration of thy Maker¹⁷; it were unseemly to do so with foul fingers.

My son! Never attire thyself without benediction. Even as men should offer thanks for the enjoyment of food, so must they do for the gift of raiment. He who dresses without blessing shall wear worm and clod in the grave, and the worms cause as much pain to the dead as a needle in raw flesh.^{17a}

¹⁶ T. B. Shabb. 62b, 108b; Ber. 19a, 60b; Maimonides Hil. Tephilah, ch. 4. See *J. E.*, v, 280. The combination of mysticism with popular folk-lore is exemplified in parts of the Zohar, which has many parallels to this Testament (See the Notes of Leiner, in the edition Lublin, 1903).

¹⁷ T. B. Soṭah 4b.

^{17a} Ber. 18b.

נטילת ידיים. לא מידך, ולא מיד אחר שלא נטל ידיו. כי רוח הטומאה שורה בידים: ואל תעביר אותם על גבי עיניך, פן יכשלו רבים במראית עיניך. כי אין ברכה שורה במראה עין שקבל טומאה. ואי עבד להסתכל בשונאו, שונא נמלט ואוהבו נכשל:

בני! הוי זהיר לנקות גופך ולפנות דירת נפשך שלא תשקצנה. ואל תהי גורם להיות נמאס:

בני! הוי זהיר בנטילת ידיים. כי נטילת ידיים בכלל הדברים העומדים ברומו של עולם. וכל המזלזל בנטילת ידיים מנודה לשמים. וכל שכן דאין לו חלק לעולם הבא: וכשתרחץ ידיך, זקוף אצבעותיך למעלה, וברך ליוצרך: ואל תברך עד שיהיו הידים רחוצות. כי אסור להזכיר קדושת שמו בלכלוך הידים כשהן מזוהמות. ואל תטול ידיך ממי שלא נטל ידיו:

בני! אל תלבש בגדיך בלא ברכה. כי כשם שנהנה האדם לתת אוכל לנפשו, וצריך לברך על הנאת האוכל, כך צריך לברך על הנאת המלבוש בכל עת שילבש. וכל מי שלא בירך על מלבושיו ילבש ברמה וגוש עפר בקבר. וקשה אותה רמה כמחט בבשר החי:

My son! Wrap thyself in the wrapping of duty¹⁸, that on the body of the righteous may rest the robe of the commandment. If one is not so enwrapped, his attire is called the garment of the treacherous; he beareth false witness against himself.¹⁹

My son! Prepare to meet thy God,²⁰ with a diadem of honor on thy brow,²¹ precious oil on thy head.²² These are the phylacteries, bearing thy Creator's Name, a chaplet of grace for thine adornment. "And all the peoples of the earth shall see that the Name of the Lord is called upon thee, and they shall stand in awe of thee"²³. Bind them also on thine arm, the seal²⁴ of His image, the likeness of the Glory of God. Day by day goeth forth a Heavenly Voice, which proclaims:²⁵ "Be ye clean, ye that bear the vessels of the Lord." Before a man, in that hour, there walk three Angels,²⁶ who cry: "Give glory to the Icon (image) of the King," and they apply to such a one the Scripture: "Thou art My servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."²⁷

¹⁸ The fringed garment—a phrase used also in the Zohar. For the whole paragraph, cf. the Zohar on Beshallah (163, 175, etc.)

¹⁹ Applying Isaiah 24. 16. Cf. T. B. Ber. 14b.

²⁰ Amos 4.12. Applied in this sense T. B. Shabb. 10a.

²¹ T. B. Ber. 11a, Ta'anit 16a. Tur O. H. 25.3.

²² Ps. 133.2. So interpreted T. B. Shabbat 153a.

²³ Deut. 28.10. On this point see my *Studies in Pharisaism and the Gospels*, 2nd series p. 203.

בני! הוי זהיר להתעטף בעטיפת מצוה, כסוי מצוה על גוף צדיק ינוח. וכל מי שאין כסוי מצוה בגופו נקרא לבושו בגד בוגדים בגדו, כי מעיד עדות שקר בעצמו:

בני! הכון לקראת אלהיך. ושים עטרת תפארת בראשך. השמן הטוב על הראש. והם התפלין. שם יוצרך ולוית חן הם לראשך. וראו כל עמי הארץ כי שם ה' נקרא עליך ויראו ממך. וקשור על זרועך חותם תבניתו הוא דמות כבוד ה': בת קול יוצאת בכל יום ואומרת, הברו,¹¹ נושאי כלי ה'! שלשה מלאכים הולכים לפני האדם באותה שעה ומכריזים ואומרים¹² תנו כבוד לדיוקנו של מלך ששכינת אל על ראשו ואומר לך עבדי אתה ישראל אשר בכך אתפאר:

¹¹ Several versions give the quotation inaccurately; thus A reads הבריות.

¹² A. ואומר.

²⁴ Cant. 8.6 is so applied in the Midrash.

²⁵ Cf. Rashi's note on Isaiah 52.11.

²⁶ On guardian angels see *J. E.*, i, 587.

²⁷ Is. 49.3.

My son! Go not early to thy comrade's abode, greeting him before thou hast greeted God.²⁸ It is written: "For three things the earth doth quake," and one of the three is, "for a handmaid that is heir to her mistress."²⁹ Do not thou let thy fellow-man usurp the dignity due to his Master!

My son! Be among the first ten in Synagogue, that thou mayest enjoy the reward of all the ten³⁰. Each of the other nine being in like case with thee, thy reward is increased a hundred-fold. Thus does public worship increase the worth of each man's prayer.³¹ Happy he who is numbered!

My son! Enter the presence of thy Creator with the deepest reverence; and when thou prayest, know before Whom thou standest!³²

My son! Exert all thy bodily powers to attain to holiness, to subdue thy will unto God! "All my bones shall say: Lord who is like unto Thee, Who deliverest the poor from him who is too strong for him." And again: "Ascribe ye strength unto God," "God the Lord is my strength."³³

²⁸ T. B. Ber. 14a, Nedarim 32b.

²⁹ Prov. 30.21

³⁰ T. B. Ber. 47b.

³¹ Based on a verbal play on the text Prov. 8.17. The double י in the word יִצְחָק would amount numerically to 100 by *Gematriah*.

³² T. B. Ber. 28b, in the name of Eleazar the Great.

³³ Ps. 35.10, 48.35; Hab. 3 (end). Cf. Yalkuṭ on first passage.

בני! אל תשכים לבית חבירך¹³ להזכיר עליו
שם שמים לברכו. כתיב תחת שלש רגזה ארץ.
ואחת מהם שפחה כי תירש גבירתה. וכל המברך
נשמת חבירו קודם ברכת השם מוריש לשפחה
הגברת:¹⁴

בני! הוי זהיר שתהיה מעשרה הראשונים בבית
הכנסת. להיותך נוטל שכר כנגד כולם. כנגד כל
העשרה, או כנגד כל הבאים? הלכתא כרבנן
הלכתא. אלא נוטל שכר כנגד כל העשרה. וכל
אחד מן העשרה הראשונים שכרו כנגד כלם והם
כלל מאה. וזהו ומשחרי ימצאנני¹⁵ בשני נונין. אשרי
הנמנה!

בני! כשתכנס לפני יוצרך תכנס באימה וביראה.
וכשאתה מתפלל דע לפני מי אתה עומד: בני! כל
עצמותך תרגיש לקדש¹⁶ בקדושה בכח גדול, לכופ
יצרך אצלו. משום, כל עצמותי תאמרנה ה' מי
כמוך. מציל עני מחזק ממנו. ומשום, תנו עוז
לאלהים, למנצח בנגינותי:

¹³ חבירך. A.

¹⁴ ירושת הגברת C.

¹⁵ ימצאונני A.

¹⁶ לקדיש A.

My son! In the house of learning, speak no idle words; but incline thine ear to the discourse of the wise. Consider nothing negligible; despise no man. For many pearls are found in the poor man's tunic. Nor may any man invade his neighbor's bounds,³⁴ nor expect to discover doctrine which his fellow is appointed to reveal, seeing that all was ordained before the Lord from the day on which the Law was created.

My son! Be zealous in visiting the sick, for sympathy lightens pain. Urge the patient to return, a penitent, to his Maker. Pray for him, and depart! Do not fatigue him by staying too long, for his malady is heavy enough already. Enter cheerfully, for his heart and eyes are on those who come in.³⁵

My son! Bear thy part regularly in the burial of the dead, delivering them into the hand of their Maker, for great is this duty. Unto one who does a kindness which the receiver cannot requite, God renders unmerited favors.³⁶

My son! Comfort the mourners, and speak to their heart.³⁷ The companions of Job were held punishable merely because they reproached when they should have consoled him.³⁸ Thus it is written³⁹: "Ye have not spoken of Me the thing that is right, as My servant Job hath."

³⁴ Cf. Yoma 38b. Mid. on Prov. 2.7.

³⁵ Cf. Midrash on Ps. 41, T. B. Shabbat 32a, Ned. 40a.

³⁶ T. B. Ber. 18a, Sukkah 49a; Rabbah on Gen. 47.29.

³⁷ Gen. 50.21. Cf. Abot de R. Nathan 14.

³⁸ Pesikta (Buber) p. 117b.

³⁹ Job 42.7.

בני! אל תשיח שום שיחה בבית המדרש. והט
אזנך ושמע¹⁷ דברי חכמים. ואל תהי בז לכל דבר
ואל תהי בז לכל אדם. כי כמה מרגליות ימצאו
באפקריסתו של עני: אין אדם נכנס לתחומו של
חבירו. ואין אדם יכול לחדש דבר בתורה שחבירו
מזומן לחדשו. כי הכל מוכן לפניו, מיום שהתורה
נבראת:

בני! הוי זהיר לבקר את החולה. כי המבקרו
מקל חליו. והשתדל עמו לשוב לקונו. והתפלל
עליו וצא! אל תכביד עליו ישיבתך, כי די לו
מכובד חליו¹⁸: כשתכנס לחולה תכנס אצלו
בשמחה. כי לבו ועיניו על הנכנסים עליו:

בני! הוי זהיר להוצאת המת לקוברו. ולהכניסו
ביר קונך. כי מצוה גדולה היא עליך: כל העושה
חסד חנם הקב"ה עושה עמו חסד חנם:

בני! הוי זהיר לנחם אבלים ולדבר על לבם.
כי לא היו ראויים להענש חביריו של איוב אלא
על שאמרו לו דברי קנטורין ולא דברי נוחמים.
דכתיב, כי לא דברתם אלי נכונה כעבדי איוב:

¹⁷ לשמע.

¹⁸ חוליו A.

My son! "Better is it to go to the house of mourning than to the house of feasting,"⁴⁰ to discipline thy soul and pour out tears from thine eyes. He who sheds tears for a worthy man will not weep over his own children in their youth.⁴¹

My son! Join in bringing the bride to the canopy, help to gladden the bridegroom, for he who thus acts is as though he participated in the nuptial ceremony of the giving of the Law at Sinai.⁴²

My son! Show honor to the poor, and draw out thy soul unto him⁴³. Be punctilious to offer thy gift in secret, not in the public gaze. Give him food and drink in thy house, but do not watch him while he eats. His soul famishes, and perchance he swoops on the viands.⁴⁴

My son! Crush not the poor with harsh words, for the Lord will plead his cause. Such conduct rouses on high many accusers, to whom there is no defence. But he who treats the poor with good-will and generosity acquires intercessors to plead his cause.⁴⁵

My son! Prepare a viaticum for thy soul⁴⁶ and kindle a lamp to give light before thee. Leave it

⁴⁰ Eccles. 7.2. Cf. T. J. Ketub. 7.5.

⁴¹ T. B. Shabb. 105b.

⁴² Cf. Midrash on Numbers 7.1. There is a play on the words כלה and כלתו (bride).

⁴³ Isaiah 58.10.

⁴⁴ Job 9.26. Cf. Maim. Hilk. Berakot 7.6.

⁴⁵ Cf. Abot 4.11 for these terms.

⁴⁶ Cf. Tana Debe Eliyyahu 8, and parallels.

בני! טוב ללכת אל בית אבל מלכת אל בית משתה. לתת מוסר לנפשך, ולשפוך דמעות מעיניך. כי כל השופך דמעות על אדם כשר לא ישפוך דמעות על בניו כשהם קטנים.

בני! הוי זהיר בהכנסת כלה לחופה ולשמח חתן. שכל המשמחו כאלו קבל תורה מהר סיני. שנאמר, ויתן אל משה ככלותו. ככלתו כתיב. ודאי יום שנתנה תורה כיום שנכנסה כלה לחופה:

בני! הוי זהיר לכבד לעני ולהפק לו נפשך. ולתת לו מתנה בסתר ולא בפרהסיא. והאכילהו והשקהו בביתך. והעלים עינך מלהסתכל בו כשהוא אוכל. כי נפשו רעבה ותטוש עלי אוכל¹⁹:

בני! אל תדכא לעני בדבריך. כי ה' יריב ריבם. ועון זה גורם לכמה קנטורין²⁰ למעלה, לגלות חטאתיו לרעה. ומליץ לא נמצא עליו. וכל העושה לו רצונו ודברים טובים, קונה לו כמה פרקליטין למעלה. וכולם מליצים עליו לטובה:

בני! תקן צדה לנפשך. והדליק נר להאיר לפניך. ואל תניחהו להאיר אחריך שמא לא יוכלו

¹⁹ So A. Some texts corrupt the quotation to טטוב עליו אוכל.
²⁰ Read קטיגורין.

not to those who come after thee, lest they be unable to kindle it, and it be left forever unlit. And thou wilt remain "in the twilight, in the evening of the day, in the blackness of night and the darkness." ⁴⁷

My son! Stop not thine ears at the cry of the poor, that the Lord may hearken to thy voice when thou criest. For he who is deaf to the appeal of others, when he crieth shall himself obtain no answer. ⁴⁸

My son! Whenever thou prayest, hold thyself as destitute in the presence of thy Maker. For there are many accusers against thee^{48a}. Thus, Jacob realized this truth, for observe that he made himself like one poor and needy, for it is written: "I have an ox and an ass," like a poor and needy man.⁴⁹ So, too, King David describes himself in the same lowly terms, saying: "Incline thine ear, O Lord, and answer me; for I am poor and needy,"⁵⁰ though after a day of prayer^{50a} he ascribes to himself a divine quality, and says in the sequel: "Keep my soul, for I am godly." Strive thou to fulfil the text: "Glorify not thyself in the presence of the King."⁵¹

⁴⁷ Prov. 7.9. Cf. Midrash on Ps. 119.105. The metaphor is applied to the darkness of a future consequent on a wasted life.

⁴⁸ Prov. 21.13.

^{48a} A reference to Satan and his demons.

⁴⁹ Gen. 32.6. The Bible has the singular "ox" and "ass," used as collectives. But the author infers from this that Jacob intended to indicate poverty.

אחר־יך להאירו²¹. ואפילו שהוא לאחר לא
ידליקוהו לעולם. ותשאר אתה בנשף בערב יום
באישון לילה ואפלה:

בני! אל תאטם אזניך מזעקת דל, למען ישמע
ה' את קולך בזעקתך. וכל האוטם אזנו מזעקת
דל גם הוא יזעק ולא יענה:

בני! בכל תפלתך שים עצמך עני ואביון בפני
בוראך. כי כמה הם מקטרגים עליך. כאשר ידע
יעקב הענין. וראה שעשה דוגמתו כעני ואביון
דכתיב²² ויהי לי שור וחמור כעני ואביון. ודוד
המלך ע"ה אמר הטה ה' אזנך ענני כי עני ואביון
אני. כיון שעבר היום והמקום הכנים עצמו בחדר
בוראו שנאמר לאחריו שמרה נפשי כי חסיד אני.
וקיים בכ אל תתהדר לפני מלך:

²¹ B. reads להאריך and omits next six words.

²² The reading of B is here adopted as against עשו for עשה of other texts.

⁵⁰ Ps. 86.1.

^{50a} The author plays upon the expression, "For unto Thee do I cry all the day," Ps. 86.3.

⁵¹ Prov. 25.6, applied to humility in prayer (Cf. Numbers Rabbah 4).

My son! Make full provision for the Sabbath joy, honoring it with all thy resources, nay beyond, in preparing repasts for day and night. Omit not the third meal. And order thy conversation aright on the Sabbath day.⁵²

My son! Enter not thy house suddenly, still less enter thy neighbor's house without announcement.⁵³ Make not thyself too much feared in thine home, for this is the cause of many evils.⁵⁴

My son! Drive anger out of thine heart, "for anger resteth in the bosom of fools⁵⁵, and a strange god rests on their head."⁵⁶

My son! Love the wise, and attach thyself to them. Seek to know thy Maker, for "that the soul be without knowledge is not good."⁵⁷ Salute all men and speak the truth.

My son! Be chaste, and self-restrained in all thine actions. When thou sittest at thy table to eat, remember that thou art in the presence of the King. Be not a snatcher or a glutton. Wash thy hands before and after the meal, for both actions are essential.⁵⁸ If thou drinkest while

⁵² T. B. Shabbat 113b, 117, etc.

⁵³ T. B. Pesah. 112a.

⁵⁴ T. B. Giṭṭin 6b and often.

⁵⁵ Eccles. 7.8.

⁵⁶ Anger is compared to idolatry. See T. B. Shabb. 105b, Maim. Hil. De'ot 2.3.

⁵⁷ Prov. 19.2.

⁵⁸ T. B. Ber. 53b.

בני! הוי זהיר בעונג שבת לכבדו כפי כחך ולענגו במאכל ובמשתה ובסעודת הלילה²³. אל תשים עצמך כעני כי אם תכבדהו²⁴ יותר מיכלתך והזהר בסעודה השלישית. והוי זהיר בדבורך ביום השבת. כי על הכל אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון:

בני! אל תכנס לביתך פתאום. וכל שכן לבית חבירך. ואל תטיל אימה יתירה בתוך ביתך כי כמה רעות גורמת האימה:

בני! הסר כעס מלבך. כי כעס בחיק²⁵ כסילים ינוח ואל זר שורה על ראשם:

בני! אהוב את החכמים, ורדוף אחריהם, השתדל לדעת בוראך. כי בלא דעת נפש לא טוב. והוי זהיר לתת שלום לכל אדם, ודבר אמת: בני! הוי זהיר להיות צנוע בכל מעשיך²⁶. והוי צנוע בדבר אחר: בני! כשתשב על שולחןך לאכול, דע שאתה עומד לפני המלך. אל תהי חצוף ובלען. הוי זהיר במים הראשונים ובמים אחרונים, כי שניהם לצורך. כשאוכלין בני השולחן, ואתה שותה, אל

²³ B omits these two words, substituting חלילה after בלב. ²⁴ So B adds. ²⁵ A inaccurately בלב.

²⁶ So B. But A, L read מנולה. C, D בבית. הכסא ואל תפרע עצמך במקום מנולה.

the rest are eating, do not obtrusively recite the benediction over the wine. Speak not during the meal,⁵⁹ not even words of Torah.

My son! Nevertheless never omit to discourse of the Torah at the table,⁶⁰ for a table whereat there is no discourse of Torah is full of filthy vomit, in that the All-present is not in their thoughts.⁶¹

My son! When thou visitest a sick man who is without means, go not to him with empty hands. When he awakes, be quick to offer refreshment to him, and he will esteem it as though thou didst uphold and restore his soul⁶². The Lord will requite thee!

My son! Reveal not thy secret to thy wife.⁶³ Be of faithful spirit to all,⁶⁴ betray not another's confidence even when thou art at strife with him.⁶⁵

My son! Eat herbs rather than beg from others, and if thou beggest, ask only for thine absolute need.⁶⁶ Prefer death to making thyself a burden on thy fellow-creatures!⁶⁷

My son! It is incumbent on thee to beget children, and to rear them for the study of the Torah.⁶⁸ For their sake thou wilt be worthy of eternal life.⁶⁹

⁵⁹ T. B. Ta'anit 5b.

⁶⁰ After the meal.

⁶¹ For this application of Isaiah 28.8, see Abot 3.4.

⁶² T. B. Nedarim 40a.

⁶³ Micah 7.5. Genesis Rabbah 54.

⁶⁴ Prov. 11.13.

⁶⁵ Prov. 25.9. Cf. T. B. Hullin 89a.

תרים קולך בברכת היין. ואל תשיח בתוך הסעודה,
ואפילו בדברי תורה:

בני! הוי זהיר בדברי תורה לאמר על השולחן.
וכל שולחן שאין עליו דברי תורה נקרא קיא צואה
בלי מקום:

בני! הוי זהיר כשתכנס לחולה, ואין לו, אל
תכנס בידים ריקניות. כשיקום, הוי מקדים לו
המאכל. ויחשב עליך כאלו אתה מקימו ומשיב
נפשו. וגמולך ישלם לך בוראך:

בני! אל תגלה סודך לאשתך. הוי נאמן רוח אצל
כל אדם. ואל תגלה סוד חבירך²⁷ בריבך עמו.
כל שכן בהיותו בשקט עמך:

בני! הוי זהיר לאכול את העשבים ואל תשאל
מבני אדם. וכשתשאל שאל לצורך: תבחר מחנק
לנפשך ואל תצטרך לבריות:

בני! הוי זהיר להיות לך בנים, ולגדלם לתלמוד
תורה. כי בשבילם תזכה לחיי העולם הבא: בני!

²⁷ So B; while A reads סודך and C סודו.

⁶⁶ T. B. Pes. 114a; Sanh. 108b.

⁶⁷ Job 7.15. Cf. Rabbah on Exod. 31.12 and often.

⁶⁸ T. B. Yeb. 63b.

⁶⁹ T. B. Shabb. 127a; Sanh. 104a.

My son! Beware lest thy wife be over generous to her first son-in-law. Appoint not the latter as administrator over thy household.⁷⁰ My son! Approach not thy wife near her menstrual period. Avoid all grossness. Hold aloof from what is foul and from what has the appearance of foulness.⁷¹ Pass not behind a woman in the street nor between two women.

My son! Be on thy guard lest thou provoke any of the wise, for his anger is as a viper's venom, the poison of a basilisk which will not be charmed.⁷² But if there be death in such a one's wrath, there is life in his good-will.⁷³

My son! Walk not alone, judge not alone, testify not alone, nor be witness and judge at the same time. None may judge alone save One.⁷⁴

My son! Be no cause of complaint to orphan or widow, for God is the father of the fatherless and judge of the widows. Rob them not, seeing that He hath already deprived them of all their happiness.⁷⁵ Hence "He will despoil of life those that despoil them."

⁷⁰ T. B. Pes. 113; Ber. 63a. ⁷¹ T. B. Hullin 44b.

⁷² Ps. 140.4, Jer. 8.17. See the variant Abot ii, 6. Cf. *J. E.* v, 280. Contrast Hillel's proverbial graciousness (T. B. Shabb. 30). ⁷³ T. B. Ketub. 103a.

⁷⁴ Abot 4.4, 8; T. B. Makk. 12a.

⁷⁵ Klein renders: "Seeing that all the good that befalls them He has ordained." This is very forced, for קָבַץ is taken in two senses: *to rob* and *to fix*. A possible alternative is: "Seeing that he (their oppressor) robs them of all good." The texts quoted are Ps. 68.6, Prov. 22.23.

הוי זהיר באשתך מחתנה הראשון. ואל תמנהו
אפטרופוס בביתך: בני! אל תקרב לאשתך קרוב
לוסתה. והתרחק מן הכיעור ומן הדומה לו. ואל
תעבור אחרי אשה בשוק. ואל תעבור בין שתי
נשים:

בני! הוי זהיר שלא תקפיד לחכם. כי חמתו
חמת עכשוי. וחמתו צפעוני שאין לו לחש. חמתו
מות ורצונו חיים:

בני! אל תלך יחידי ואל תדין יחידי ואל תעיד
יחידי²⁸ ואל תהי עד ודיין כאחד²⁹. כי אין יחידי
ודיין זולתי אחד:

בני! הוי זהיר מזעקת יתום ואלמנה. כי הוא אבי
יתומים ודיין אלמנות. אל תהי להם קובע, הואיל
והוא קובע כל טוב שלהם. על כן הוא קובע את
קובעיהם נפש:

²⁸ This clause is omitted in several texts.

²⁹ B יחידי.

My son! Set all thy sins in the scale, and thy repentance will make even the balance. Thereafter add confession and prayer, to make overweight in thy favor.

My son! Keep far from a wicked neighbor, and from him whose reputation is evil, for what they say of him below accords with what they say of him on high.⁷⁶

My son! "Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thy heart be glad when he stumbleth, lest the Lord see it and it displease Him, and He turn away His wrath from him [to thee]." But "if thine enemy be hungry give him bread to eat."⁷⁷

My son! Pursue not after authority, for every thing is decreed from on high. God confers greatness where He wills, and daily He proclaims those whom He hath called by name. Thus is it written that Israel was called upon to recognize: "Behold the Lord hath called by name Bezalel."⁷⁸

My son! Be not as a fly o'er thy fellow-man's sore, leaving the healthy parts and pouncing on the plague spot. Cover up thy neighbor's disease, and lay not his corruption bare to the world.⁷⁹

My son! Haste to the performance of a duty, and let it not seem light in thine eyes. Say not, this is light, that is important, for thou knowest

⁷⁶ Cf. Abot 3.10.

⁷⁷ Prov. 24.17, 25.21.

⁷⁸ Exod. 31.2, 35.30. T. B. Ber. 55a. On Predestination see *J. E.* v, 351; x, 181.

⁷⁹ Cf. Mid. Tanhuma on Deut. 25.17.

בני! כל חטאתיך שים במשקל, ותשובתך
במאזנים ישאו יחד. ואחרי כן תן וידוי ותפלה
להכריע המשקל:

בני! התרחק משכן רע, ומאדם ששמועתו רעה.
כשם שאומרים עליו מלמטה, אומרים עליו
מלמעלה:

בני! בנפול אויבך אל תשמח פן יראה ה' ורע
בעיניו³⁰ והשיב מעליו אפו. אבל אם רעב שונאך
האכילהו לחם:

בני! אל תרדוף אחר השררה. כי הכל גזור
מלמעלה, ולאשר יחפוץ יתננה. בכל יום הקב"ה
קורא על זה בעצמו, ראו קראתי בשם! ראו קרא
ה' בשם בצלאל:

בני! אל תהי כזבוב³¹ לחבירך על נגעו. שמניח
מקום בריא ושורה על הנגע. כסה לחבירך על נגעו
ואל תגלה קלקולו³² לעולם:

בני! הוי רץ לדבר מצוה. ואל תהי המצוה קלה
בעיניך. ואל תאמר זו קלה וזו חמורה. כי אינך

³⁰ So A. Several texts have לו.

³¹ So C, D; but A, B, L have the curious reading כאוב.

³² L קלקול.

not the grant of reward for each. Let all thy deeds be done in the Name of Heaven!⁸⁰

My son! Be not righteous overmuch, neither be thou overmuch wicked.⁸¹ Nor let thyself become over-yielding to the extent of drinking water left over from the lips of thy friend.⁸² For the breath cometh out from within his throat, and thou art unaware who is suffering from disease. Be bashful in all matters, but efface not thyself at the cost of thy health. Yet in the house of study be thou modest. Behave there as one unlearned, even though thy comrades laugh at thee for it.⁸³

My son! Sit not in the company of calumniators and slanderers, for all is noted on high, and is recorded in a book. And all who are present are inscribed in the list of offenders.

My son! Drink not borrowed waters⁸⁴, eat not from everyman's hand. Cook not in a pan which has already been used by another, still less if two have previously cooked in it and have departed from the world. For already the angel of destruction recognizes it⁸⁵.

⁸⁰ T. B. Ber. 6b; Abot 2.1, 4.2, etc.

⁸¹ Eccles. 7.16,17.

⁸² Cf. Comm. on Tur Orah Hayyim Ch. 8.

⁸³ T. B. Ber. 43b.

⁸⁴ See *J.E.*, iv, 516.

⁸⁵ T. B. Pes. 111, 112; Yeb. 64b. These metaphors are often applied to cases of re-marriage.

יודע מתן שכרן של מצות. כל מעשיך יהיו לשם שמים:

בני! אל תהי צדיק הרבה ואל תרשע³³ הרבה. ואל תהי בישן הרבה, אפילו לשתות מים הנשארים מפיו של חבירך. כי ההבל יוצא מבית חללו ואינך יודע איזה חולה³⁴ בגופו: בכל דבר הוי בישן, ובמקום שההיזק שכיח³⁵ אל תהי בישן: לעולם הוי מנבל עצמך בבית המדרש. ואפילו ששחקו חביריך עליך:

בני! אל תשב בחבורת האומרים גנאי מחביריהם ובעלי לשון הרע. כי כל הדברים עולים, ובספר נכתבים. וכל העומדים שם נכתבים בחבורת³⁶ הרשע ובחבורת לשון הרע:

בני! אל תשתה מים שאולים. ואל תאכל מאכל מיד כל אדם. הוי משתין בפני מאה, ואל תשתה מים בפני אחד: בני! אל תבשל בקדרה שבשל בה חבירך. וכל שכן אם בשלו בה שנים ונסתלקו מן העולם. כי כבר מלאך משחית מכיר בה:

³³ B תרשיע. ³⁴ A חולי. ³⁵ A שכיב ההיזק.

³⁶ A B L חבורת, and so in next occurrence of word.

My son! Wed not an unworthy woman: woe to the tarnished who tarnishes his seed!⁸⁶ Absalom and Adonijah, the offspring of such a union, wrought many evils to Israel. They were unchaste and stirred up rebellion. My son! Have no marital intercourse with thy wife while she is suckling her child. Do not leave an infant in his cradle alone in the house by day or night, nor pass thou the night alone in any abode. For under such circumstances, Lilith seizes man or child in her fatal embrace.⁸⁷

My son! Zealously bring up thy children in the study of the Law. Withdraw them not from it! For he who so acts shortens his life; the Holy One weeps over such a one day by day.⁸⁸

My son! Drink no water that has been left uncovered overnight. Many pitfalls exist in the world, and in them men are caught, as birds are trapped in a snare.

My son! Sit not in the sun's shadow in the summer months (Tammuz and Ab); still less mayest thou sleep in the light of the moon, especially when it is crescent. Concerning these things does the text speak⁸⁹: "The sun shall not

⁸⁶ T. B. Kidd. 70a.

⁸⁷ On Lilith see *J.E.*, viii, 87.

⁸⁸ T. B. Hagigah 5b.

⁸⁹ Ps. 121.6

בני! הוי זהיר מאשה שאינה הגונה לך. אוי לו
 לפסול³⁷ שפוסל את זרעו! אבשלום גרם כמה רעות
 לישראל. רדף אחר אביו להרגו ושכב את נשיו.
 אדוניהו אחיו הפליג על המלוכה ובקש לאשת
 אביו³⁸: בני! הוי זהיר שלא תשמש מטתך בשעה
 שהיא מיניקת את בנה. ואל תניחהו³⁹ בעריסתו
 יחידי בבית, בין ביום ובין בלילה: ואל תהי ישן
 יחידי בלילה בשום בית. כי בדברים אלו לילית
 מזומנת להזיק. וכיון שאוחזת לאדם או לתינוק,
 היא מוציאתו מן העולם:

בני! הוי זהיר לגדל בניך לתלמוד תורה, ואל
 תסלקם ממנה. שכל המסלק בנו מן התורה יסתלקו
 ימיו מן העולם. מפני שהקב"ה בוכה עליו בכל
 יום ויום:

בני! הוי זהיר שלא תשתה מים מגולים בלילה.
 כי כמה מקטרגים משתכחים בעולם. ובהם נוקשים
 בני אדם כצפורים⁴⁰ הנאחזים בפח:

בני! אל תשב בצל חמה בימי תמוז ואב. וכל
 שכן שלא תישן בלילה לאור הלבנה. ועל זה נאמר

³⁷ L למי. ³⁸ A omits לאשת. The omission is explained
 by the reading of L ובקש אביו להרגו. ³⁹ C בנך. תנוח בנך.

⁴⁰ A, C, L ובהם יוקשים בני אדם חסרים כדגים.

smite thee by day nor the moon by night," by day because of Keteb Meriri, by night because of Igrath bath Mahalath.⁹⁰ But "the Lord shall keep thee from all evil, He shall keep thy soul. The Lord shall guard thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth and for ever."⁹¹

My son! Snatch not at flesh while the steam is rising from it, whether the meat be roasted or boiled. Eat no food prepared in a pan in which no cooking had been done for thirty days.⁹²

My son! Give unto thy Creator His share of all thy food. This, God's portion, belongs to the poor. Therefore select of the choicest viands on thy table and present them to thy Maker. "Thou shalt not curse the deaf, but thou shalt fear thy God."⁹³

My son! Be it known unto thee that the hope of the righteous is the happiness which is reserved in the fairest region of the universe, a treasured place and secret, wherein none may abide but the clean and sanctified souls invited to enter. It is the Holy One's Plantation of Delight, 'twas formed ere earth came into being, and is not of this world!⁹⁴

⁹⁰ Names given to evil spirits, T. B. Pes. 112b, etc. See *J.E.*, iv, 516.

⁹¹ Ps. 121.7.

⁹² For the folklore elements see *J.E.*, art. Demonology, and list of articles pp. 425-6. The coincidence of certain folk-superstitions with modern hygienic rules is very arresting. As Sir J. Frazer has shown, magic is in a sense early empirical science.

⁹³ This quotation of Levit. 19.14 seems to mean that the benefactor must not impose on the recipient's ig-

יומם השמש לא יככה וירח בלילה. ביום מפני קטב מרירי, ובלילה מפני אגרת בת מחלת. וכל שכן כשלבנה⁴¹ בחידושה. ה' ישמרך מכל רע ישמור את נפשך. ה' ישמור צאתך ובואך מעתה ועד עולם:

בני! אל תאכל בשר בעוד שמסלקת ההבל, בין צלי בין מבושל. ואל תאכל תבשיל מקדרה שלא בשלו בה שלושים יום:

בני! הוי זהיר מכל מאכל לתת חלקו לבוראך. והחלק שלו הוא של עניים. לפיכך טול מן היפה שבשולחנך לתת לקונך: אל תקלל חרש ויראת מאלהיך:

בני! דע כי בטחון הצדיקים הוא הטוב הגנוז מבחר תבל ארצו. והוא מקום גנוז וסתור ואין כל בריה יכולה לעמוד באותו מקום זולתי הרוחות הקדושות הטהורות המזומנות ליכנס לאותו מקום. והמקום ההוא מטע שעשועים של הקב"ה. ונברא קודם שנברא העולם. אינו מן העולם הזה:⁴²

⁴¹ Interesting, as showing how variants arise, is the reading of A which has וכשלבנה for these 3 words.

⁴² B ואינו בעולם הזה רק בעולם הבא.

the first of these is the fact that the
the second is the fact that the
the third is the fact that the

the fourth is the fact that the
the fifth is the fact that the

the sixth is the fact that the
the seventh is the fact that the

the eighth is the fact that the
the ninth is the fact that the
the tenth is the fact that the

the eleventh is the fact that the
the twelfth is the fact that the

מוסר אב: צואת ר' יהודה אבן תבון

A FATHER'S ADMONITION BY JUDAH
IBN TIBBON

III

A FATHER'S ADMONITION

BY JUDAH IBN TIBBON.

Born in Granada about 1120, Judah son of Saul Ibn Tibbon was forced to leave Spain in the middle of the twelfth century. The cause may be presumed to have been the same persecution by the Almohades which drove Maimonides from Cordova. Ibn Tibbon went to Provence and in 1160 Benjamin of Tudela found him practising as a physician at Lunel. His Testament is obviously the work of a medical man; equally it is the work of a cultured man of letters. Indeed he fills an important place in the history of Hebrew literature, for, to use his son Samuel's justly eulogistic phrase, Judah Ibn Tibbon was the "father of translators". He was the translator of works by Bahya, Jehuda Halevi, Ibn Gabirol, and Ibn Janah. It is very doubtful whether he translated also the *Choice of Pearls*. He quotes the work in the Testament, but scarcely in terms implying that he had himself rendered the maxims. He refers to two of his own works otherwise unknown. On his activity as translator see Steinschneider, *Heb. Ueber.* 4, 215; *J. E.* vi, 544.

In Lunel, Judah Ibn Tibbon enjoyed the friendship of a scholarly circle (cf. *J. E.* loc. cit.). He was an ardent collector of books, and it is no doubt his library that is referred to by his son in the latter's preface to the Hebrew translation of Maimonides' *Guide for the Perplexed*. The

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יהודה בן שאול אבן תבון נולד בעיר גראנאדא בערך שנת תת"ף לאלף החמישי, וכבן שלשים הוכרח לעזוב את ספרד. אפשר לשער שסבת גלותו מארץ מולדתו היתה רדיפת היהודים ע"י האלמוהדים אשר לרגלה נגרש גם הרמב"ם מקורדובה. אבן תבון הלך למדינת פרובינצא, ובשנת תתק"ך מצא אותו בנימין מטודילא מתפרנס בתור רופא בלוניל. נקל לראות שצואתו היא מעשה ידי רופא וגם סופר משכיל. אין כל ספק שאבן תבון ממלא מקום חשוב בתולדות הספרות העברית, ובצדק אומר עליו בנו שמואל שהיה „אבי המעתיקים“. הוא העתיק מערבית לעברית את ספריהם של בחיי, יהודה הלוי, אבן גבירול ואבן גנאח. ספק גדול הוא אם העתיק גם את „מבחר הפנינים“. הוא מביא בצואתו איזה פתגמים ומבטאים מן הספר הזה, אבל לא בסגנון שאפשר היה להסיק ממנו שהוא בעצמו העתיק אותם. בצואתו הוא מזכיר ג"כ שנים מחבוריו שאינם נודעים משום מקור אחר. בנוגע למלאכת ההעתקה שלו עיין בספרו של שטיינשניידר, העברעאישע איבערזעטצונגען, דף ד' ורט"ו; האנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך ששי, דף תקמ"ד.

בלוניל התרועע יהודה אבן תבון לחברת אנשים חכמים ומלומדים (עיין באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, במקום הנזכר לעיל). הוא אהב לאסוף ספרים הרבה, ואין כל ספק שבהקדמתו אל ההעתקה העברית של „מורה נבוכים“ להרמב"ם

J. E. states that Samuel was born c. 1150 and that the Testament was written in or after 1190. It seems difficult to reconcile some of the expressions in the Testament with a forty-year old recipient; on the other hand, some parts clearly require us to think of Samuel as no longer young. The puzzle is solved when we remember that parents often began such Testaments when their child was young, and completed them many years later, just as nowadays codicils are added to wills. The Testament of Judah Ibn Tibbon bears many marks of having been more than once supplemented and revised. As rendered below, the last lines of the metrical epilogue seem to confirm this. "Thrice these counsels have I written out." It must, however, be confessed that the word rendered "thrice" is employed by Judah in another poem of his to mean "excellent things" (see the lines printed by L. Dukes in *Path of Good Men*, p. xi).

The author's laments as to his sufferings refer to his earlier years. In Lunel he appears to have prospered well. But he was clearly a sensitive soul, and he was distressed when his daughters, on their marriage, left him for other cities. His tone of querulous affection for his son is also very human. He obviously believed in his son's abilities, and resolved to cultivate them to the utmost. His resolve bore fruit, for Samuel attained to fame, yet the father certainly diagnosed his son's disposition with accuracy, for Samuel was of a restless nature and does not appear to have settled for long in any one place after his father's death. Judah's advice as to the study of Arabic was taken to heart by Samuel, who was complimented on his Arabic proficiency by Maimonides. Judah's insistent declaration that the "style is the man" applied to handwriting as well as to the substance of what was written. So, later on, Joseph Ezobi in his Silver Bowl told his son:

בנו שמואל מרמז לאוצר הספרים שלו. לפי האנציקלופדיה
 היהודית האנגלית נולד שמואל בערך תתק"י והצואה נכתבה
 בשנת תתק"ן או אח"כ. קשה להלום איזה מן המבטאים של
 הצואה לזרע בן ארבעים; ולהפך, מבטאים אחרים מכריחים
 אותנו להניח ששמואל כבר לא היה צעיר. החידה הזאת נפתרת
 כשזוכרים אנחנו שלפעמים קרובות התחילו האבות לכתוב
 צואות בשעה שבנם היה עוד צעיר ועול ימים ולא השלימון כי
 אם שנים רבות אח"כ, כמו שבימינו החדשים סמפונים נוספים
 אל צואות מזמן לזמן. ובאמת צואת יהודה אבן תבון נושאת
 תוים רבים המעידים על מלואים והגהות שנצטרפו אליה לעתים
 תכופות. כפי שנעתקה להלן, החרוזים האחרונים בסופה כמו
 מדוזקים את ההשערה הזאת: „ושלישים כתבתים לך“. אבל
 נחוץ להודות שהמלה הנעתקת „שלש פעמים“ משמשת בשיר
 אחר של יהודה במובן „דברים נעלים“ (ראה את הטורים
 שהדפוס יהודה ליב דוקעס בספר „אורחות צדיקים“, דף XI).
 תרעומות המחבר על עינויו ויסוריו מוסבות על חיו
 הקדומים בספרד. בלונל, כנראה, זרחה עליו שמש
 ההצלחה. אכן ברור הוא שהיה בעל מזג רך ונפש מתרגשת,
 ויצטער הרבה כשבנותיו נשאו לאנשים ויעזבוהו ללכת לערים
 אחרות. דבריו המוכיחים והמלטפים לבנו הם ג"כ כדרך
 הבריות. אין כל ספק שהאמין בכשרונות בנו ויחליט לפתחם
 ולשכללם בכל האפשר. עמלו זה נשא פרי ישוה לו, כי שמע
 שמואל יצא לשם ולתהלה; ובכ"ז הכיר האב היטב את תכונת
 בנו הסוערת שאינה יודעת מרגוע, כי כידוע נשאר שמואל נע
 ונד תמיד וכנראה לא התישב לעולם לזמן ארוך במקום קבוע
 אחרי מות אביו. שמואל שם לבו לעצת אביו בנוגע ללמוד
 שפת ערב, כי הרמב"ם הלל אותו על ידיעתו הרבה בשפה זו.
 המימרא השגורה של יהודה ש„הסגנון הוא האיש“ מוסבה גם
 על הכתב גם על התוכן של הכתב. דומה לה מה שאמר יוסף
 אזובי לבניו ב„קערת הכסף“ שלו:

For in his penmanship man stands revealed,
Purest intent by chastest style is sealed.

Judah Ibn Tibbon's hero was Samuel the Nagid, who in Judah's youth attained to high place in Granada because of his skill as a writer of Arabic. The Nagid was indeed worthy of Judah's homage. For as statesman, scholar and philanthropist the Nagid stands out for the beauty of his character no less than for the splendor of his attainments. As to Judah Ibn Tibbon's own character, his fidelity to his friends and his generosity as to lending his books are notable, as is his desire that his son should emulate his example. His beautiful comparison of his library to a garden is worthy of Ruskin; he anticipates the charm of the sylvan vignettes on the Bewick *ex libris* of a much later date—*inter folia fructus*, or again *In tali nunquam lassat venatio sylva*.

The text of the Testament depends on a single MS. in the Bodleian Library (Cat. Neubauer, No. 2219, 3). It was printed from this MS. twice in one year, 1852, in Berlin and in London. The present edition has been derived directly from the MS. and several misreadings and misprints in the former editions have been corrected. The many quotations from Samuel the Nagid's poems have been checked with the readings in Harkavy's edition of the Nagid's verses, and Harkavy's text has often been preferred. It has not been possible to collate these quotations with the MS. in the possession of Mr. David Sassoon. (In the Notes S refers to Steinschneider's Berlin edition, O to the Oxford MS.). To the English edition of 1852 (*The Paths of Good Men*, ed. H. Edelman) a translation was added by M. H. Bresslau. This has been of much service, but has not been bodily adopted. The original

בספרו האנוש נכר וכתב
לשכל שולחו עדות ברורה.

נבורו של יהודה אבן תבון היה שמואל הנגיד אשר בימי בחרותו של יהודה התמחה בגראנאדא לסופר בקי ומהיר בשפת ערב. באמת היה שמואל הנגיד ראוי והגון לתהלתו של יהודה אבן תבון, כי בתור איש מדינה, תלמיד חכם ובעל צדקה היה עולה ובולט משום מזגו היפה באותה מדה שהיה נבדל ונפרד בכשרונותיו המצוינים. בנוגע לאפיו של יהודה אבן תבון, הנה יש להרים על נס את מסירת נפשו לרעיו ונדבת רוחו בהלואת ספריו, כמו שיש להלל את חפצו שבנו ילך בעקבותיו. הדמיון היפה שהוא מדמה את אוצר הספרים שלו לנן הוא ראוי והגון לאיש כרוסקין; והוא טועם מראש את קסם העולם הצומח הנמצא בציורי עקס-ליברים של בעוויק בתקופה יותר מאוחרת—*inter folia fructus* או *in tali nunquam lassat venatio sylva*.

נוסח הצואה תלוי בכתב-יד יחיד ומיוחד הנמצא בבית עקד הספרים הבודליאני (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 3, 2219) ונדפס מן הכ"י הזה פעמים בשנה אחת, שנת תרי"ב, בברלין ובלונדון. המהדורה הנוכחית נוסדה על הכ"י, ועל ידו תקנתי איזה שגיאות קריאה ודפוס של ההוצאות הראשונות. השויתי גם את החרוזים הרבים שהוא מביא משירי שמואל הנגיד לנוסח המזוקק של שירי הנגיד בהוצאת הרכבי, ולפעמים קרובות בכרתי את האחרון על הראשון. לדאבוני אי אפשר היה לי להשוות את החרוזים האלה לכ"י הנמצא תחת ידו של דוד ששון. בהערותי קראתי S למהדורת ברלין של שטיינשניידר, O לכ"י אוקספורד. למהדורת לונדון של תרי"ב (אורחות צדיקים, הוצאת צבי הירש עדעלמאן) נוספה העתקה אנגלית ע"י מרדכי ברעסלוי, והעתקה זו היתה לי לעזר גדול, אבל לא

text is sometimes in rhyme, and both Prologue and Epilogue are in rhymed verse. These have been turned into rhythmical prose.

The generosity of the author with regard to the loan of his books is paralleled by the Testament of R. Eleazar bar Peraḥyah (apparently of the fourteenth century). This is to be seen in the Oxford MS. of Maimonides' *Code* (Cat. Neub. No. 577, cf. Edelman, *Treasures of Oxford*, 1851, p. xxi). This testator died young, and bequeathed the whole of this MS., which bears Maimonides' autographic declaration that the copy is accurate, to the Beth-Din. It was not to be sold or otherwise disposed of, nor was it to be used for study. But it was to remain for ever at the disposal of students for the correction of their copies. As a rather grim comment on the bequest, Edelman tells us that Prof. Huntingdon had no difficulty in acquiring the Codex at Cairo "at a comparatively cheap price."

In the Name of God,¹ whose Memorial be exalted and praised for ever!

[This Admonition was composed by the great philosopher, Rabbi Judah son of Saul Ibn Tibbon, for his son, the distinguished scholar Samuel, in his youth; be their memory for a blessing!]

Take a Father's Admonition, from a heart disturbed

At parting from thee, like a sea in storm;

¹ Heb. in the name of the Name.

הבאתיה כמות שהיא. יש אשר הנוסח העברי הוא בחרוים, כמו הראש והסוף. חרומים כאלה העתקתי לפרחה שקולה אף כי לא חרחה.

נדבת רוחו של המחבר ביחס להלואת ספריו מוצאת את משלה בצואת רבי אלעזר בר פרחיה (כמדומה במאה הארבע עשרה). זאת אפשר לראות בכ"י אוקספורד של ה"ד החזקה להרמב"ם (רשימת ניבויער, נומר 577, ראה עדעלמאן, גנוי אוקספורד, תרי"א, דף XXI). בעל הצואה הזאת מת בדמי ימיו וינחיל לבית דין את הכ"י כלו, הנושא מודעה מהרמב"ם בכתובת יד עצמו ששטר הצואה הוא נכון ומדויק. הוא אסר למכור אותו או למסור אותו לאחרים באיזה אופן שיהיה, וגם התנגד לשמושו בלמוד; אבל התלמידים הורשו להשתמש בו בכדי לתקן את השגיאות הנמצאות בהעתקיהם. בתור באור מר על עזבון המנוח מודיענו עדעלמאן שעלה ביד הפרופיסור הונטינגדון לקנות את הכ"י היקר הזה בקהירה. במחיר נמוך בערך.

בשם השם יתעלה וישתבח זכרו לנצח. זה מוסר
חבר אותו החכם הגדול ר' יהודה בר' שאול בן
תבון זצ"ל לבנו החכם הכולל שמואל בבחרותו
זכרונם לברכה:

קח מוסר אב מלב נכאב
לפרידתך כים הומה.²

¹ The MS. always has השם with a horizontal line over the last two letters.

² The division of the lines into two halves follows the MS. The H. edition disregards it.

With boundless grief without all intermission,
His eye is poured out and ceaseth never!²
God has tried him by migration of his children
As none among fathers has been tried before!³
Against him, too, Destiny has conspired,
Beguiling him with its enticements;
It cast him into depths of loneliness,
And threw him into a sea of sorrows!
With exile and yearning it afflicted him,
And in their robes was he disguised;⁴
Yea, Time came with storm and raging,
To stir and overwhelm his heart!⁵
On his platter it put wormwood,
And poison it mixed in his cup;⁶
Strained were his eyes with weeping; well-
Nigh was he sightless as the blind;
Had his tears dropped down on a desert,
They had made reeds and rushes flourish!
So he ate the bread of misery, and drank
Athirst, tears in flowing measure;⁷

² Lam. 3.49.

³ For the personal history of the author, see above p. 51f.

⁴ E. renders: "It afflicted him with wandering and shame. And by their pains he was struck dumb."

⁵ Job 39.24.

⁶ Ps. 69.22.

⁷ Ps. 80.6.

וברוב תוגה מאין פוגה
 עינו נגרה לא תדמה.
 נסהו אל בנדוד בנים
 עד אין לו באבות דומה.
 וזמן הסית את לבו בו
 ויפתה אותו וירמה.
 השליכו במצולות פירוד
 ובים תוגות אותו ירמה.
 בנדוד ובכוסף יענהו
 ובמדויהם יהיה נדמה.
 וברעש ורוגז יבוא
 לרגז את לבו ויגמא.
 ובברותו לענה ישים
 לצמאו רוש אותו יגמא.
 כלו עיניו בדמעיו כמ³
 עט⁴ לא יראה אור כסומא.
 לו ירדו על ארץ ציה
 הצמיחו קנה וגומא.
 יאכל לחם דמעה ישתה
 בדמעות שליש בצמא⁴

³ The MS. divides כמעט ⁴ H. בצמא.

His soul abhorred all viands,⁸
 In his eyes his meat was unclean!
 My God, O wherefore hath befallen me
 So grievous an ill, or for what sin?
 Till when must I live on enduring
 This separation, O Lord, how long?⁹

My son, list to my precepts, neglect none of my injunctions. Set my Admonition before thine eyes, thus shalt thou prosper and prolong thy days in pleasantness!

Thou knowest, my son, that the Creator did not specify a recompense for any of the Ten Commandments except for honoring parents. Length of days and happiness were the appointed meed of obedience. For the Pentateuch says:¹⁰ "Honour thy father and thy mother. . . . that thy days may be long, and that it may go well with thee;" and in the Prophecies, God asks of Israel: "If then I be a father, where is My honour?"¹¹ I need not recall to thee the recompense of the children of Jonadab, son of Rechab, who kept their father's ordinance; and how the Creator used their example for reproof of Israel, and granted to the Rechabites the appointed requital of happiness and longevity, as thou wilt find in the section referring to that subject.¹²

⁸ Ps. 107.18.

⁹ Several phrases in these verses are reminiscent of Samuel ha-Nagid, whom our author cites so often. Cf. e. g. No. iv in Harkavy's edition of ha-Nagid's poems.

¹⁰ Deut. 5.16.

¹¹ Mal. 1.6.

¹² Jer. 35.

ותתעב כל אוכל נפשו
 ובעיניו כל לחמו טמא.
 אלי אלי במה היתה
 לי זאת הרעה או על מה?
 או עד מתי אשא עלי
 פירוד⁵ הזה או עד כמה?

בני! למצותי הקשיבה. ואל תפל דבר מכל
 הדברים אשר אצוך. ושים מוסרי נגד עיניך ונוכח
 פניך. כי אז תצליח את דרכיך ואז תשכיל. והארכת
 ימים בטוב ובנעימים!

בני! כבר ידעת כי הבורא לא פירש גמול על
 אחת מעשרת הדברים כי אם על כבוד אבות.
 שייעד עליהם באורך חיים וימים טובים. כמו שאמר
 למען יאריכון ימיך ולמען ייטב לך. ואמר
 בתוכחות, אם אב אני איה כבודי? וכבר ידעת מה
 היה גמול בני יונדב בן רכב ששמרו מצות אביהם.
 והוכיח הבורא בהם את ישראל וייעד אותם במה
 שייעד מהגמול הטוב ואריכות ימים. כאשר תמצא
 בפרשת הענין ההוא:

⁵ הפירוד H.

Thou knowest, my son, how I swaddled thee and brought thee up, how I led thee in the paths of wisdom and virtue. I fed and clothed thee; I spent myself in educating and protecting thee. I sacrificed my sleep to make thee wise beyond thy fellows, and to raise thee to the highest degree of science and morals. These twelve years I have denied myself the usual pleasures and relaxations of men for thy sake, and I still toil for thine inheritance.

I have honored thee by providing an extensive library for thy use, and have thus relieved thee of the necessity to borrow books. Most students must bustle about to seek books, often without finding them. But thou, thanks be to God, lendest and borrowest not. Of many books, indeed, thou ownest two or three copies. I have besides made¹³ for thee books on all sciences, hoping that thy hand might "find them all as a nest."¹⁴ Seeing that thy Creator had graced thee with a wise and understanding heart, I journeyed to the ends of the earth, and fetched for thee a teacher in secular sciences. I minded neither the expense nor the danger of the ways. Untold evil might have befallen me and thee on those travels, had not the Lord been with us!

But thou, my son! didst deceive my hopes. Thou didst not choose to employ thine abilities, hiding thyself from all thy books, not caring to

¹³ Apparently referring to compendia made for the son's use by the father.

¹⁴ Isa. 10.14.

ואתה ידעת בני! כי טפחתיך וריביתך. וגדלתיך
 ורוממתיך. ובדרך חכמה הוריתיך. במעגלי יושר
 הדרכתך. ובמאכל ובמשתה ובמלבוש כבדתיך.
 וטרחתי בלימודך מכל פחד שמרתיך. ונודדתי
 שנתי לחכמך מכל חביריך. ולהעלותך אל המעלות
 הרמות בחכמה ובמוסר. מנעתי עצמי מכל טובה
 ותענוגות בני אדם בעבורך זה שנים עשרה שנה.
 ועוד יגעתי להנחילך:

כבדתיך בהרבות לך ספרים. ולא הצרכתיך
 לשאול ספר מאדם כאשר אתה רואה רוב
 התלמידים ישוטטו לבקש ספר ולא ימצאו. ואתה
 שבח לאל! משאיל ואינך שואל. וברוב הספרים
 יש לך שניים ושלישים. ויותר עשיתי לך ספרים
 מכל החכמות. הייתי מקוה שתמצא ירך כקן
 לכולם. כיון שחננך צורך לב חכם ונבון. טרחתי
 לקצות ארץ והבאתי לך מלמד חכמות חיצונות.
 ולא חסתי על הוצאה ועל סכנת דרכים. וכמעט
 הייתי בכל רע אני ואתה בהליכה ההיא, לולי
 השם שהיה לנו:

ואתה בני! הכזבת את תוחלתי ואת תקותי. ולא
 חפצת להשתמש בבינתך. והתעלמת מכל ספריך.

know them or even their titles. Hadst thou seen thine own books in the hand of others, thou wouldst not have recognized them; hadst thou needed one of them, thou wouldst not have known whether it was with thee or not, without asking me; thou didst not even consult the Catalogue of thy library. *Ben Mishle*¹⁵ says:

He who has toiled and bought for himself books,
But his heart is empty of what they contain—
Is like a lame man, who engraved on a wall
The figure of a foot, and tried in vain to
stand!

All this thou hast done. Thus far thou hast relied on me to rouse thee from the sleep of indolence, thinking that I would live with thee for ever! Thou didst not bear in mind that death must divide us, and that there are daily vicissitudes in life. But who will be as tender to thee as I have been, who will take my place—to teach thee out of love and good-will? Even if thou couldst find such a one, lo! thou seest how the greatest scholars, coming from the corners of the earth, seek to profit by my society and instruction, how eager they are to see me and my books. But thou, though all this was thine without silver and price, thou wert unwilling; and the Lord hath not given thee a heart to know, eyes to see, or ears to hearken unto this day. May thy God en-

¹⁵ On the author's frequent quotations from the poems of Samuel ha-Nagid see above, p. 53. *Ben* (Son of) *Mishle* is a series of metrical aphorisms based on the Biblical *Mishle* or Proverbs. For editions see above p. 53.

אפילו לא היית רוצה לראות מה הם ומה שמותם.
 כי אם היית רואה אותם ביד אחרים לא היית
 מכירם. ואם היית צריך לאחד מהם, לא היית יודע
 אם ישנו אתך⁶ אם אין, עד שהיית שואל אותי.
 ואפילו המזכרת של ספריך לא היית מעיין אותה.
 ובן משלי אמר,

אשר יגע וקנה לו ספרים

ולבו מאשר במ ריק וריקם.

כפסח אשר חקק עלי⁷ קיר

דמות⁸ רגל. ובא לקום ולא קם:

כל זה עשית, עד עתה היית סומך עלי להעיר
 אותך משנת העצלה. ודמית שאחיה לך לעולם.
 ולא נתת אל לבך ועינך. כי המות יפריד ביני ובינך.
 או ילדי יום מחיים: כי מי יחמול עליך בני כחמלתי?
 ומי יעמוד לך במקומי ללמד מאהבה ומחפץ?
 אפילו אם היית מוצא, הנה אתה רואה החכמים
 הגדולים שהם מבקשים ומשתדלים מכנף הארץ
 להועיל בחברתי ובישיבתי. ונכספים לראותי
 ולראות ספרי. ואתה כאשר מצאת בלא כסף ובלא
 מחיר לא רצית. ולא נתן לך השם לב לדעת ועינים
 לראות ואזנים לשמוע עד היום הזה. אלהיך יתן

⁶ MS. אותך. ⁷ E reads אותו. ⁸ H. אלי. ⁹ O מאת

dow thee with a new heart and spirit, and instil into thee a desire to retrieve the past, and to follow the true path henceforward!

Seven years and more have passed since thou didst begin to learn Arabic writing but, despite my entreaties, thou hast refused to obey. Yet thou art well aware how our foremost men only attained to high distinction through their proficiency in Arabic writing.¹⁶ Thou hast already seen what the Nagid (of blessed memory) has recorded as to his rise to power being solely due to this cause, when he sang: "O Pen, I tell of thy kindness!"¹⁷ Similarly with his son. In this country, too, as well as in the kingdom of Ishmael¹⁸ the Nasi, R. Shesheth, acquired wealth and honor through his Arabic. By means of it, he paid his debts, met all his expenditure, and made splendid gifts.

Nor hast thou acquired sufficient skill in Hebrew writing, though I paid, as thou must remember, thirty golden pieces annually to thy master, the clever R. Jacob son of the generous R. Obadiah. And when I persuaded him to teach thee to write the letters, he answered: "It will be enough for him to learn one letter a year." If

¹⁶ For Samuel ha-Nagid's debt to his Arabic calligraphy see Graetz, *History*, E. T., iii, 255. The "Song of the Pen" is no longer extant. The Nagid's son Joseph collected his father's poems (Cf. Harkavy, Introduction, p. ix).

¹⁷ E. "I am weary of relating thy mercy."

¹⁸ Spain or Morocco; Shesheth was a noted physician in Barcelona. Cf. Dukes' note in Edelman's *Path of Good Men*, p. 57.

לך לב חדש ורוח חדשה וחפץ שתשיג בו מה שחלף.
ותשיב כל מה שאבד. וישכילך ויורך בדרך זו
תלך!

גם כתיבת הערבי שהחלות ללמוד אותו היום
שבע שנים ועוד הייתי מפיס אותך עליה. ולא
רצית לעולם שמוע אלי: ואתה יודע כי הגדולים
שבעמינו לא הגיעו אל הגדולה והמעלות הרמות
כי אם בכתיבת הערבי: כבר ראית¹⁰ מה שספר
הנגיד ז"ל מן הגדולה שהגיע אליה בעבודה באמרו,
עט אני חסדך מספר וכו'. ומה שהגיע בנו אחריו גם
כן מן הגדולה בה. גם בארץ הזאת אתה רואה כי
הנשיא ר' ששת ז"ל הגיע בה אל העושר והכבוד
גם במלכות ישמעאל. ובה יצא מכל חובותיו, ועשה
כל הוצאותיו הגדולות ונדבותיו:

גם על כתב העברי לא השגחת כראוי. הלא
תזכור שהייתי נותן למשכיל ר' יעקב בן הנדיב ר'
עובדיה רבך שלשים דינר זהב בכל שנה. וכאשר
פייסתי אותו ללמדך כתיבת האותיות אמר אלי,
והלא יספיק לו אם ילמוד אות אחת לשנה. ואם

¹⁰ MS. ראיתי.

ראיתי. MS. ¹⁰

thou hadst paid attention to this remark of his, thou wouldst have striven to become a better scribe than he or his sons. Hast thou not seen R. Shesheth's son, a boy of twelve, whose writing so resembles that of his teacher, R. Patur, that the scripts are indistinguishable? Handwriting is but an art¹⁹, and with attention, intelligence, and practice, anyone can imitate his model. "If anyone asserts, 'I have labored but did not find,' believe him not."²⁰ Now, if the reputation—for the most part false—which thou hadst acquired far and wide embarrassed thee, thou wouldst have exerted thyself to prove the report an underrating rather than an exaggeration, from fear of exposure, should people actually come to thy place. As *Ben Mishle* says:

When men commend thee with their lips,
Unto their words apply thine heart;
And if they laud for parts not thine,
Strive hard to justify their praise!

High qualities have been ascribed to thee by R. Shesheth, and what wilt thou do in the day of visitation? Woe for that indignity, alas for that disgrace! May God lead thee into wiser ways, and teach thee for thy profit²¹; may He make this separation the cause of thine amendment and awakening. O that thy lethargy prove but a passing slumber! As *Ben Mishle* says:

¹⁹ Lit. "form".

²⁰ T. B. Megillah 5b.

²¹ Isa. 48.17.

היה לך לב בעבור הדבר הזה שיצא מפיו, היית
 משתדל שתהיה סופר יותר ממנו ובניו: והלא ראית
 בנו של ר' ששת והוא בן י"ב שנים כתיבתו דומה
 לכתיבת רבו ר' פטור. וכאלו היא היא בעצמה.
 כי הכתיבה היא צורה מן הצורות ובעיון ובהתבוננות
 יוכל אדם לחקותה ובהרגל. ויגעתי ולא מצאתי
 אל תאמן. וכן אם היית בוש בעצמך בעבור השם
 אשר יצא לך למרחוק ורובו שקר. היית משתדל
 להוסיף על השמועה. והיית ירא מהבושת והכלמה
 כשיגיעו למקומך. בן משלי¹¹,

בעת יענו עמך שבחך

בפיהם, תנה לבך למלתם.¹²

ואם יהללוך באשר אין בך,

שקוד עד תהי¹³ צדק תהלתם.¹⁴

ואתה רואה המעלות הרמות אשר הנשיא קורא
 לך בהם. ומה תעשה ליום פקודה? אוי לאותה
 בושה אוי לאותה כלמה! אלהיך יישרך להשכיל.
 וילמדך להועיל. וישם הנדוד הזה סבה לטובתך.
 ולהקיץ מתנומתך. ולא תהיה תנומה כי אם
 תרדמה! ב'. מ'.

¹¹ The MS. mostly omits ואמר, and merely introduces the quotation with בן משלי or the abbreviation ב'מ'.

¹² O למלותם. ¹³ O שתהא. ¹⁴ O תהלותם.

Woe to the man who stands awake,
 Yet seeth not his path;
 Happier he who lies asleep,
 And eyes within his heart!

Thou art still young, and improvement is possible, if Heaven but grant thee the helping gift of desire and resolution, for ability is of no avail without inclination. So King David said²²: "His *delight* is in the law of the Lord." Thou knowest, too, what the Nagid has written (in *Ben Mishle*):

A brother of knowledge, if indeed he possess a heart,
 For his heart's sake his heart will strive with him!

And in another place:

A green tree while still moist thou canst straighten²³,

But thou canst not straighten a dry log.

If the Lord please to bring me back to thee, I will take upon me all thy wants. For whom indeed do I toil but for thee and thy children? May the Lord let me see their faces again in joy!

Therefore, my son! Stay not thy hand when I have left thee, but devote thyself to the study of the Torah and to the science of medicine. But chiefly occupy thyself with the Torah, for thou hast a wise and understanding heart,²⁴ and all that is needful on thy part is ambition and

²² Ps. 1.2.

²³ E. "prune".

²⁴ Rather touching is the father's wavering between pride in his son's ability (afterwards justified by his son's literary fame), and discontent with the same son's indolence.

אבוי לאיש אשר נעור
ולא ראה נתיבתו!
ואשרי איש אשר ישן
ועינים בלבתו!¹⁵

כי עדיין נער אתה. ואיפשר שתתיישר אם יעזורך
מן השמים לתת לך חפץ ורצון. כי תבונה בלי חפץ
אינה מועילה: ודוד ע"ה אמר, כי אם בתורת ה'¹⁶
חפצו. וכבר ראית מה שאמר הנגיד ז"ל, ב'. מ'.
אחי מדע אשר לבב יהי בו
לבבו בעבור לבו יריבו:
ואמר עוד,

ועץ רטוב בעודו לח תיישר.
ולא תיישר לך קורה יבשה:
ואם שוב ישיבני אליך השם אעמס כל מחסורך
עלי. כי למי אני עמל כי אם לך ולבניך?¹⁷ אלהי
יראני פניהם בשמחה!

על כן בני! אל תרף ירך אחרי מעסוק בתלמוד
תורתך ובחכמת הרפואות. והוי מעט עסק ועסוק
בתורה. כי יש לך לב חכם ונבון אם תחפוץ לקבוע

¹⁵ Kaempf reads ועינו היא. H. renders as though the text read בלכתו ועיניו.

¹⁶ The MS. (here and elsewhere) has יי with a horizontal line over the three letters.

¹⁷ MS. reads ולבנך.

application. I know that thou wilt repent of the past, as many have repented before thee of their youthful indolence. As the Nagid (*Ben Mishle*) says:

Learning's robe the good disciple decks,
And youthful study sweet increase bestows;
But he who in his age would wisdom gain
Dies ere he wisdom's savor tastes:²⁵

Therefore, my son! Exert thyself whilst still young, the more so as thou even now complainest of weak memory. What, then, wilt thou do in old age, the mother of forgetfulness? Awake, my son! from thy sleep; devote thyself to science and religion; habituate thyself to moral living, for "habit is master over all things."²⁶ As the Arabian philosopher²⁷ holds, there are two sciences, ethics and physics; strive to excel in both! The Sage of blessed memory said: "The wise shall inherit honour,"²⁸ while as for wisdom, "length of days is in her right hand, in her left riches and honour."²⁹ And further: "Better is a poor and wise child than an old and foolish king."³⁰ But I need not dwell longer on this subject, nor quote more on the same point from Proverbs and the Son of Proverbs.³¹

²⁵ E: "Will depart life without wisdom and understanding."

²⁶ Cf. *Choice of Pearls*.

²⁷ Al-Ghazali.

²⁸ Prov. 3.35.

²⁹ Ibid. 3.16.

³⁰ Eccles. 14.13.

³¹ Ha-Nagid's *Ben Mishle*.

וללמוד. ויודע אני שתתחרט על מה שעבר כאשר
התחרטו רבים לפניך על התעצלים בימי הנערות
והבחרות. והנגיד ז"ל אמר, ב'. מ'.

סדין חכמה לתלמיד טוב ילובש.
ותלמוד¹⁸ נערות חוסן ונועם.
ומי ילמד בזקנה לא בנוער,
יאוסף מבלי חכמה וטעם:

על כן בני! השתדל בעוד ימי הבחרות והנערות.
כל וכן אתה מתרעם עתה מן השכחה. ומה תעשה
לימי הזקנה שהיא אם השכחה? הקיצה בני!
משנתך. והתעסק בחכמה ובמוסר. והרגל עצמך
במדות טובות. וההרגל על כל דבר שלטון. ואמר
החכם הערבי, החכמות שתיים. חכמת התורות
וחכמת הגופות. השתדל בני! שתהיה נכבד מחביריך
בכבוד החכמה. והחכם ע"ה אמר, כבוד חכמים
ינחלו. ואמר עוד, אורך ימים בימינה. ואמר, טוב
ילד מסכן וחכם ממלך זקן וכסיל. ואינני¹⁹ צריך
להאריך בענין הזה. ומה שנוכר בו במשלי ובבן
משלי:

¹⁸ ובתלמוד O.

¹⁹ ואינני MS.

Well art thou aware, my son! that the companionship of the ungodly is noxious, that their example cleaves like the plague. O "enter not into the path of the wicked!"³² Loiter not in the streets, sit not in the highway, go not with him whose society is discreditable. As the Sage says:³³ "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise," and *Ben Mishle* writes:

Choose upright men for friends, with them
Take counsel, but the fool despise!
With the wise thou canst a rock o'erturn,³⁴
And safety find 'gainst giants' rage!

My son! Make thy books thy companions, let thy cases and shelves be thy pleasure-grounds and gardens. Bask in their paradise, gather their fruit, pluck their roses, take their spices and their myrrh. If thy soul be satiate and weary, change from garden to garden, from furrow to furrow, from prospect to prospect. Then will thy desire renew itself, and thy soul be filled with delight! For, remember the lines of the poet:³⁵

How shall I fear man, when a soul is mine
Whose whelps can dismay lions?
Why fret about poverty, when in her³⁶ is wisdom

³² Prov. 4.14.

³³ Ibid. 13.20.

³⁴ Cf. T. B. San. 24a.

³⁵ See note on Hebrew text.

³⁶ Her, i. e. the soul.

בני! כבר ידעת כי חברת הרעים מזיקה.
וכצרת דבקה. והחכם ע"ה אמר, בארח רשעים
אל תבא. בני! אל תעמוד ברחובות. ואל תשב
במסלות. ואל תלך עם מי שלא תתכבד בחברתו.
והחכם ע"ה אמר, הולך את חכמים יחכם. ב'. מ'.

בחר את בעלי שכל²⁰ לחברה

ומועצה. וקוצה בכסילים!

במשכיל תעקור סלע. ותבוא

במו צרה. ותשך²¹ אף נפילים!²²

בני! שים ספריך חביריך. וארגויך ותיבותיך
פרדסיך וגנותיך. רעה בגנותיהם ולקוט שושניהם.
וארה מפריהם בשמיהם ומוריהם. ואם תקוץ נפשך
ותלאה העתק מגן אל גן. ומערוגה אל ערוגה.
וממראה אל מראה. כי אז יתחדש חפצך ותנאה
נפשך!

וזכור מה שאמר המשורר בשירו,²³

איך אפחדה מאיש ולי נפש,

חתו אריות מכפיריה?

איך אדאגה מריש²⁴ ובה חכמה²⁵

²⁰ O צדק. ²¹ H. חשך. ²² O כסילים.

²³ MS. has בן משלי. But the poet is Judah ha-Levi.
See Dukes, *Treasures of Oxford*. p. 60.

²⁴ O מאיש. Margin מריש. ²⁵ D. ובחכמה.

From whose hills I may hew jewels?
If I hunger, lo! her dainty fruits;
If I thirst, I find ³⁷ her streams!
Sit I desolate, when her harp
Charms me with her melodies?
Why seek a friend to hold converse,
And lose her cunning accents?
My harp, my lyre, are at her pen's³⁸ point,
Her scrolls are my garden and paradise!

So *Ben Mishle* says:

The wise of heart forsakes the ease of pleasure,
In reading books he finds tranquillity;
All men have faults, thine eyes can see them,
The wise-heart's failing is—forgetfulness!

Consult a man of sense and well-beloved,
Put not thy trust in thine own device;
For if thou turnest to thy heart's desire,
Desire will hide from thee the right;
Is it a yearned-for end? Thy heart
Doth make thy lust seem fair before thee!

³⁷ Note the clever play on words in the Hebrew.

³⁸ Perhaps render: "style", the instrument with which the harp is struck. Or cf. Ps. 45.2.

אחצוב פנינים מהרריה?
 אם ארעבה הנה מגדיה.
 או אצמאה אמצא²⁶ נהריה!
 איך אשבה שומם, וכנורה
 אותי ישעשע בשיריה?
 איך אדרשה²⁷ ריע ישיחני,²⁸
 עת²⁹ אשמעה חכמת דבריה?
 נבלי וכנורי בפי עטה,³⁰
 גני ופרדסי ספריה!
 ווכן אמר[בן משלי,
 חכם לב יעזוב נוח עדנים,
 ובקרוא בספרים לו מנוחה.
 ומומים יש באישים אם תחפש.
 ומום חכמי לבבות השכחה:
 היה נועץ באיש שכל ואהוב,³¹
 ואל תבטח בנפשך אל עצתך.³²
 ואם תט אחרי אהבת לבבך,
 תכסה על נכונה אהבתך.
 למען כי לך אוה, ולבך
 ייפה נגדך את תאותך!

26 O הנה.

27 O אשאלה.

28 H ישיחני.

29 O בל.

30 D. עטי.

31 O ואוהב.

32 O אל Margin. לנפשך את.

In all thine acts, therefore, take counsel with him on whose affection and prudence thou canst rely. Desert not thy friend, thy father's friend. Lo! "Aaron and Hur" are with thee, the accomplished R. Aaron and R. Asher.³⁹

Contend not with men, and meddle not "with strife not thine own".⁴⁰ Enter into no dispute with the obstinate, not even on matters of Torah. On thy side, too, refrain from subterfuges in argument, to maintain thy case even when thou art convinced that thou art in the right. Submit to the majority and do not reject their decision. Risk not thy life by taking the road and leaving thy city, in times of disquiet and danger. Even where large sums are involved, travel only on the advice of men of mature judgment who are well disposed to thee; trust not the counsel of the young in preference to that of the old. Let not the prospect of great gain blind thee, to make light of thy life; be not as a bird that sees the grains but not the net.⁴¹ Remember what the Sage, of blessed memory, said: "A wise man feareth and departeth from evil, but the fool be-
haveth overbearingly and is confident".⁴²

My son! Take upon thee to write one leaf daily and to meditate for an hour, in the *Ben Mishle*.

³⁹ Sons of Meshullam of Lunel. Aaron was a spirited Maimonist partisan in the famous controversy. Cf. Graetz, *History*, E. T., iii, 524.

⁴⁰ Prov. 26.17.

⁴¹ Dukes compares a poem by Judah ha-Levi. Cf. Prov. 1.17.

⁴² Prov. 14.16.

בני! התייעץ עם מי שתבטח באהבתו וחכמתו.
ורעך ורע אביך אל תעזוב. והנה אהרן וחור עמך,
החכם ר' אהרן והחכם ר' אשר:

בני! אל תרב עם אדם. ואל תתעבר לריב לא
לך. ואל תחלק על העקשים אפילו בתלמוד תורה.
ואל תתעקש אתה להחזיק בדעתך אפילו אם תדע
שהאמת אתך. והודה לרבים ואל תחלק עליהם:
בני! אל תסכן בנפשך ללכת בדרכים בעתות
החרם³³ והסכנה. אפילו על ממון גדול. כי אם
בעניין שיורו לך רבים וחכמים אוהביך. ויכירו
כי הוא בטוח: ואל תסמוך על עצת הבחורים
להניח עצת הזקנים. ואל יעוורך רוב השכר להקל
בנפשך. ואל תהיה כעוף שרואה הגרגרים ואינו
רואה הרשת: וכבר ידעת מה שאמר החכם ע"ה,
חכם ירא וסר מרע וכסיל מתעבר ובוטח:

בני! קבל עליך לכתוב עלה אחת בכל יום
ולעיין שעה אחת בבן משלי. ולקרוא בכל שבת

³³ MS. החרום.

Read every week the Pentateuchal section in Arabic. This will improve thine Arabic vocabulary, and will be of advantage in translating, if thou shouldst feel inclined to translate.⁴³

Show honor to thyself, thy household, and thy children, by providing decent clothing, as far as thy means allow; for it is unbecoming for any one, when not at work, to go shabbily dressed. Spare from thy belly and put it on thy back!

Thou knowest, my son! the trouble and expense that I endured for the marriage of thy elder and younger sisters. Never in my life had I undergone such dangers, thrice crossing the sea at great cost though my means were scanty⁴⁴. I pledged my books, I borrowed from my friends, though I was never wont to do so, and all this not to reduce thy share. Also, at thine own marriage, thou art aware that I did not sell thee for silver, as others richer than I have done with their sons. None of thy companions made a more honorable union. I took for thee the daughter ⁴⁵ of a cultured and distinguished lineage, all of them the "seed of truth", learned and of high standing. The community showed its consideration by imposing on thee no tax or due. Thou wast honored

⁴³ On Samuel Ibn Tibbon's translations, see *J.E.*, vi, p. 549.

⁴⁴ This departure of his daughter on their marriage seems referred to in the metrical Prologue.

⁴⁵ She seems to have been a sister of the famous Jacob Anatoli. See *J.E.*, i, 562.

הסדר ערבי. כי יועיל לך במלות הספרים
 הערביים.³⁴ ובהעתקה אם תרצה להעתיק:
 בני! כפי יכלתך כבד את עצמך ואת ביתך ואת
 בניך במלבושים הגונים. כי אין ראוי לאדם
 ממלאכתו להיות מלבושיו פחותים. וחסר מבטנך
 ותן על גבך!

בני! כבר ראית מה שסבלתי מן היגיעה ומן
 הטורח וההוצאה בנשואי אחותך הגדולה. ומה
 שסבלתי בנשואי אחותך הקטנה. הכנסתי עצמי
 בסכנה שלא נכנסתי בה מימי. בעבור הים שלשה
 פעמים. וההוצאה הרבה מבלי יכולת. משכנתי
 ספרי. לויתי על פני. שמתי לאוהבי יד עלי במלוה.
 מה שלא נהגתי בזה. כל זה עשיתי בעבור שלא
 תפחות אתה בהם: גם בנשואיך אתה ידעת שלא
 מכרתוך בכסף כאשר עשו אחרים שהיו עשירים
 ממני בבניהם. ושאין בחברריך נכבד ממך בנשואיו.
 לקחתי לך³⁵ בת גדולי הארץ בחכמה וביחס. כלו
 זרע אמת קרובים חכמים ואצילים ונשאים: היית
 מכובד בחופתך מכל חבריך. והיית מכובד מהקהל
 שלא הטילו עליך מס ולא מעמס. היית נכבד מן

³⁴ H. incorrectly העבריים.

³⁵ MS. adds (redundantly) בת חכמים ומיחסים.

at thy wedding by princes and priests, men of the highest lay and clerical distinction, for my sake.

And now, my son! if the Creator has mightily displayed His love to thee and me, so that Jew and Gentile have thus far honored thee for my sake, endeavor henceforth to so add to thine honor that they may respect thee for thine own self. This thou canst effect by good morals and by courteous behavior; by steady devotion to thy studies and thy profession, as thou wast wont to do before thy marriage.⁴⁶

As *Ben Mishle* says:

In outside books⁴⁷ oft meditate, thou'lt find
What brings repute to its doer in the gates;
Will make thy voice respected 'mid the great,
Thy name extolled o'er thine associates.

Let thy countenance shine upon the sons of men; tend their sick, and may thine advice cure them. Though thou takest fees from the rich, heal the poor gratuitously; the Lord will requite thee. Thereby shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man. Thus wilt thou win the respect of high and low among Jews and non-Jews, and thy good name will go forth far and wide. Thou wilt rejoice thy

⁴⁶ Obviously, the father's previous complaints of his son's indolence must not be taken too literally. See above p. 52.

⁴⁷ i. e. secular, scientific; lit. outside the biblical canon (cf. *Mishnah*, *Sanh.* 10.1).

השרים והפרשים וההגמונים והכומרים והגלחים
והכפירים בעבורי:

ועתה בני! אם הגביר הבורא חסדו עלי ועליך
וכבודך לכבודי ישראל וגוים עד עתה. השתדל
אתה מעתה להוסיף כבוד על כבודך ויכבודך
בעבור עצמך. וזה תשיג במדותיך הטובות ומנהגיך
הנעימים עם בני אדם. ושתקבע ללמוד ולעסוק
במלאכתך ביום ובלילה כאשר היית עושה³⁶ קודם
נישואיך: ב'. מ'.

הגה הרבה בספרי חוץ ותמצא
אשר יכשר עשהו בשערים.
ויארך לשונך בין גדולים,
ויתגדל שמך על החברים:

בני! האר פניך לבני אדם. ובקר חוליהם. ויהיה
לשונך להם למרפא. ואם תקבל מעשירים היה
מרפא חנם לענייהם. והשם ישלם גמולך ויתן את
שכרך. ובזה תמצא חן ושכל טוב בעיני אלהים
ואדם. ותהיה מכובד מן הגדולים ומן הקטנים,
מישראל וגוים. ויצא לך שם טוב בקרוב ורחוק,

³⁶ This word must be inserted.

friends and make thy foes envious. For remember what is written in the *Choice of Pearls*:⁴⁸ "How shall one take vengeance on an enemy? By increasing his own good qualities." Remember also what I have written in my essay on the last chapter of Proverbs.⁴⁹

My son! Examine regularly, once a week, thy drugs and medicinal herbs, and do not employ an ingredient whose properties are unknown to thee. I have often impressed this on thee in vain when we were together.

My son! If thou writest aught, read it through a second time, for no man can avoid slips. Let not any consideration of hurry prevent thee from revising a short epistle. Be punctilious as to grammatical accuracy, in conjugations and genders, for the constant use of the vernacular sometimes leads to error in this regard. A man's mistakes in writing bring him into disrepute; they are remembered against him all his days. As our Sages say: "Who is it that uncovers his nakedness here and it is exposed everywhere? It is he who writes a document and makes mistakes therein." Be careful in the use of conjunctions and adverbs⁵⁰ (particles), and how thou appliest them and how they harmonize with the verbs. I have already begun to compose for thee a book on the subject, to be called "Principles of Style", may God permit me to complete it! And what-

⁴⁸ Ch. 53, ed. Ascher, 617.

⁴⁹ Nothing is known of this work by the author of the present text.

⁵⁰ E. "prepositions and copulative words."

ותשמח³⁷ אוהביך ותקניא שונאיך ואויביך. וכבר ידעת מה שנוכר במבחר הפנינים, מי שרוצה להנקם מאויביו יוסף מעלה יתירה בעצמו. וזכור מה שפרשתי לך במאמר אשת חיל מי ימצא:

בני! הרגל עצמך לראות הסמנים ועשב הרפואות יום אחד בשבוע. ואל תשמש בדבר שלא תכיר אותו. וכמה פעמים פייסתיך שתרגיל בזה בעודי עמך. ותשלך דברי אחריך:

בני! כאשר תכתוב כתב שוב אליו וקראהו. כי אין אדם נצל מן השכחה. ואל יבהלך החפזון לשוב על אגרת קטנה להגיהה: והזהר מהטעות בלשון ובבניינים ובדקדוק ובלשון זכר ונקבה. כי פעמים מטעה בזה שגרת לשון הלעז. והטעות שתצא מיד האדם הוא הנתפש עליה ונוכר בה כל ימיו: וחכמים אמרו, מי הוא המגלה ערותו בכאן ונראית בכל? הוי אומר זה הכותב כתב וטועה בו: והוי זהיר בקשרים ומלות הטעם איך תביאם. ואיך יתחברו³⁸ הפעלים אל השמוש בהם: וכבר החילותי לחבר לך בזה ספר אם יזכיני השם להשלימו והוא

³⁷ ותשמח MS.

³⁸ יתעברו MS. in margin.

ever thou art in doubt about and hast no book to refer to, abstain from expressing it! Endeavor to cultivate conciseness and elegance, do not attempt to write verse unless thou canst do it perfectly. Avoid heaviness, which spoils a composition, making it disagreeable alike to reader or audience.

The same rules apply to poetry. The lines must not drag, verbosity must be eschewed. The words must be harmonious to the ear and light on the tongue. Use no rare constructions or foreign idioms or terms, for though the latter may be justified by analogy, they are none the less unnatural. And remember what I said to thee when thou didst make a blunder over an infinitive!⁵¹ Avoid all such faults. But choose what is sweet to thy palate and pleasant to those who hear thee.

See to it that thy penmanship and handwriting is as beautiful as thy style.⁵² Keep thy pen in fine working order, use ink of good color. Make thy script as perfect as possible, unless forced to write without proper materials, or in a pressing emergency. The beauty of a composition depends on the writing, and the beauty of the writing on pen, paper, and ink; and all

⁵¹ Lit: "when thou didst write *בִּישְׁבִּי* instead of *בִּישְׁבְּתִי*." E. has the impossible rendering: "When thou wrotest, 'When I sat in the place on my seat.'"

⁵² On this subject see remarks on p. 52.

סוד צחות הלשון. ומה שתסתפק בו ולא יהיה לך
ספר לעיין עליו רחק מעליו! והשתדל בכתבך
שתהיה מליצתך קצרה וצחה. ואל תרדוף החרוז
בכתבך אם לא יבואך לתמו. ואל תנהגו בכבדות.
כי אם תנהגו בכבדות יפסיד כתבך. ולא יהיה
ערב לקוראיו ולשומעיו:

וכן תעשה בשיר. רחק מהבא מליצותיו בכבדות
ובמלות רבות. ויהיו המלות ערבות. וקלות³⁹ על
הלשון. ובנייניו בניינים נמצאים. ואל תביא בניינים
זרים ולא מלות זרות אפילו אם הם עוברות מדרך
ההקשה. כי הדבר הנכרי אינו מקובל לטבע: וזכור
מה שאמרתי לך כשכתבת בישבי במקום בשבתי.
הרחק מעל כל כיוצא בזה דרכך. ובחר מה שיהיה
מתוק לחכך וערב לשומעו!

ויפה כתבך וכתיבתך. והטיב מלאכת קולמוסך.
והדיו אשר תהיה כותב בו יהיה טוב במראהו.
ואגרתך תהיה טובה מאד כפי יכלתך. אלא אם
תכתוב בעת שלא יזדמן לך אחת מאלה. ובשעה
דחוקה ובדבר נחוץ: כי יפי הכתב בכתיבה. ויפי
הכתיבה בקולמוס ובאגר ובדיו. ויפי כתב האגרת

these excellencies are an index to the author's worth. Do not get into the habit of contracting the characters or of running them together, but make each long, broad, straight. Do not swallow up the *yod* but draw it out precise and clear. Another mark of beautiful handwriting is that the *lamed* should be long at the top and the neck properly turned;⁵³ also that the *kuf*, and the final *caf* and *nun* should have long and even down strokes. A point on which great care is needed is that if there be in the same line several cases of the letters named, one should not be shorter or longer than the other. Thou hast seen books in my handwriting and my precision in these matters, and must remember how the son of thy master, R. Jacob, expressed his admiration in thy presence. For writing, as I said above, is an art among the arts,⁵⁴ and the more care one takes the better is the result. Be fastidious, too, in the alignment; the lines must be straight, and the spacing uniform, so that one does not go up and another down. And may thy God prosper thee, and make thee straight in all thy ways!

And now, my son! in many of these matters,

⁵³ Perhaps the author means that the *lamed* must have a straight neck, a translation of which the Hebrew is susceptible.

⁵⁴ Lit. "a form among the forms".

מורה עלי יקרת הכותב: והשתדל להיטיב כתיבתך כפי יכולתך. ואל תרגיל להיות⁴⁰ אותיותיך קצרות ומובלעות זו בזו. אך הרגל עצמך לעשותם ארוכות ומרוחות ועומדות. ואל תבליע היוד בין אות לאות כאשר אתה רגיל. אך עשה אותו בקו היושר: ומנואי הכתיבה והכתב שיהיו הלמדים ארוכות למעלה וצואריהם נטוי על קו היושר. וכן הקופין והכפין והנונין הארוכה שיהיו⁴¹ שוקיהם למטה ארוכים ושויין. ומן הזריזות בכתיבה שאם יתקבצו למדין או נונין או קופין או כפין בשטה אחת שלא תהיה אחת קצרה מחברתה ולא ארוכה מחברתה. וכבר ראית ספרי בכתב ידי ושמירתי בעניין זה. עד שתמה על זה בנו של ר' יעקב רבך לפניך. כי הכתיבה כאשר אמרתי לך היא צורה מן הצורות וכל אשר יזהר אדם בתיקונה תראה נאה יותר: ועל שטותיך שים דעתך שיהיו ישרות. וערך כל אחת מהנה אל חברתה שוה. ושלא תהיה אחת עולה למעלה ואחת יורדת למטה. ואלהיך ישכילך וישרך בכל דרכיך!

ועתה בני! מה שנהגת עמי עד עתה שלא שמעת

⁴⁰ MS. adds כתיבת.

⁴¹ MS. שיהיה.

wherein thou didst not obey me when I was with thee, obey me at this time, when I am far off.⁵⁵ In all thy business, thy buying and selling, thou didst not do me the honor to ask my advice, nor didst thou even keep me informed. Whenever I asked thee, thou wast impatient, and didst conceal the facts from me. If I gave thee advice thou didst reject it, though never didst thou succeed when thou didst act against my counsel. *Ben Mishle* says:

The father of a son who brought
His child to the house of the wise,
And pointed out the way of life,
But he chose the path of the proud;
Who breathed in him, to fire his mind,
But he refused to tend the fire;
Leave him! and reliance place
On time for his discipline!⁵⁶

Long ago thou didst see what happened to thee with Solomon, son of the learned R. Joseph, when thou refusedst my order and advice. I will not further narrate how thou didst show me disrespect in this matter. Even in Marseilles, when we were together in a strange land, and thou didst purchase many worthless wares,⁵⁷ my advice

⁵⁵ The author makes several pregnant allusions to the fact that at the time of writing this Testament father and son were separated.

⁵⁶ Harkavy explains the verse in another sense. The son who has been set on the right way may be trusted to continue on it.

⁵⁷ Perh. render: "wares of great and small value."

לי ברוב העניינים בהיותי עמך. שמע לי עתה
בהיותי רחוק ממך! כי אתה יודע כי בכל עסקיך
ומקחיך וממכריך לא חלקת לי כבוד לשאול ממני
עצה בדבר ולא להודיעני: ואם הייתי שואל אותך,
היית קץ בשאלתי ומעלים ממני. ואם הייתי נותן
לך עצה היית עובר על עצתי. ואתה יודע כי
מעולם לא עברת על עצתי בדבר והצלחת בו!
בן משלי,

אבי הבן אשר הביא
בנו אל בית מחוכמים,
והורהו נתיב חיים,
ובחר הוא נתיב רמים,
ונפחו בו להשכילו,⁴²
ולא נפחו בפחמים,⁴³
עזוב אותו! והשען
במוסרו עלי ימים!

וכבר ראית מה שקרה לך עם שלמה בנו של
החכם ר' יוסף כשעברת על דברי ועל עצתי. ומה
אזכור או אספר מהקלותך⁴⁴ אותי בעניין הזה:
אפילו במרשיליאה הייתי עמך ביחד בארץ נכריה.
וקנית מסחרים רבים ופחותים ולא שאלת עצתי

42 O להשכיל 43 כפחמים ? 44 MS. מהקלותיך.

was not asked, nor was I told anything. I knew nothing of all thy doings and dealings until thou didst unload the goods from the ship in the city of Arles.⁵⁸ If a non-Jew from my city had happened to be there, he would have consulted or informed me as to his buying and selling. Worse still, when thou didst write thy letters or compose thine odes to send abroad, thou wast unwilling to show a word to me and didst prevent me from seeing. When I said to thee, "Show me!", thou wouldst answer: "Why dost thou want to see?" as if thinking that my help was unnecessary. And this was from thy folly, in that thou wast wise in thine own eyes.⁵⁹ *Ben Mishle* says:

Who is wise in his own sight,
E'er thinks his errors just;
And oft the cloud to him doth seem
The sun, the sun a cloud!

Even R. Zerahyah⁶⁰, of blessed memory, who stood alone in his generation, and was more learned than I, never, from the day he knew me, wrote a letter or a poem to send to anyone, without showing it to me before it left his hand. Even of his letters to his brother he showed many to me before he sent them off. On my part, when I wrote letters, I said to thee: "Look at them,

⁵⁸ The journey to Arles from Marseilles would be about 40-50 miles by water (partly by sea, partly up the Rhone), and then some 25 miles by land from Arles to Lunel.

⁵⁹ It is strange that our author should so misinterpret a youth's natural reluctance to show his verses at home.

⁶⁰ On this scholar and poet see *J. E.*, xii, 660.

גם לא הודעתני. ולא ידעתי מכל מעשיך ומסחריך
 דבר עד שהוצאת אותם מן הספינה בעיר ארלדי:
 ואלו היה גוי שרוי ומעירי היה שואל עצתי או מודיע
 אותי במקחו וממכרו: ולא עוד אלא כשהיית
 כותב כתביך או עושה שיריך⁴⁵ לשלוח לארץ
 אחרת לא היית רוצה להראות לי דבר. והיית מונע
 ממני לראות: וכאשר הייתי אומר לך, הראיני!
 היית אומר לי, מה אתה רוצה לראות? כאילו היית
 חושב בעצמך כי אינך צריך לי בדבר. וזה
 מסכלותך וממה שהיית חכם בעיניך: ב' מ'

אשר יהיה חכם לבב⁴⁶ בעיניו,

תעיתו יהי⁴⁷ חושב נכונה.

ותתחלף⁴⁸ עננה לו פעמים

באור שמש ושמש בעננה:

והרב ר' זרחיה ז"ל שהיה יחיד בדורו. והיה
 חכם ממני. מיום שידעני לא כתב ולא עשה שיר
 לשלוח לשום אדם שלא הראהו לי קודם שיצא
 מידו. ורבים מכתביו לאחיו היה מראה לי קודם
 שישלחם: ואתה יודע כי אני כשהייתי כותב כתבי
 הייתי אומר לך, ראה אותם אם יש בהם להשיג

45 MS. שירך. 46 H omits. 47 O תהי. 48 H ותתחלף.

perhaps there is something in them to alter or correct!" This I did from the day that I discovered in thee a knowledge of style and grammar. As the Arab says: He who sits at the brink bends.⁶¹ All these evil courses hast thou adopted towards me. I bore them though deeply grieved, whilst thou didst provoke me, treating my honor as a light thing, neglecting the duty imposed on thee by God to show me respect! May the Omnipresent grant thee perfect pardon here and hereafter, may He be gracious and teach thee to do His will, and cause thee to find favor and good understanding in His sight and in the sight of all mankind! If, my son, thou desirest to undo the past, the Creator will grant His pardon, and I shall forgive thee all without reserve or reluctance.⁶² Reject not my word in all that I have written for thee in this, my Testament, and wherein thou hast not honored me heretofore, honor me for the rest of my days and after my death! All the honor I ask of thee is to attain a higher degree in the pursuit of wisdom, to excel in right conduct and beautiful character, to behave in friendly spirit to all and to gain a good name, that greatest of crowns! to deserve applause for thy dealings and association with thy fellows, to cleave to the fear of God and the performance of His commandments,—thus wilt thou honor me in life and in death!

⁶¹ i. e. to drink.

⁶² Perhaps render: If thou desirest pardon, God will grant it; and if thou desirest my forgiveness, reject not, etc.

או לתקן! כי מיום שהכרתי בך שאתה יודע מליצה ודקדוק⁴⁹ לא עשיתי כתב שלא אמרתי לך, ראה אם יש בו להשיג או לתקן! כי הערב אומר, היושב על השפה שוחה: כל אלה המנהגים הרעים נהגת בי וסבלתי והייתי דואג מאוד עליהם. והקצפתני והכעסתני והמריתני והקילות בכבודי. ובמה שחייבך הבורא ממני. ועברת על מצותו⁵⁰ בזה: המקום ימחול לך בעוה"ז ובעולם הבא מחילה שלימה. וירצך וילמדך לעשות רצונו. וימציאך חן ושכל טוב בעיניו ובעיני כל אדם! ואם תרצה בני להשיג כל מה שחלף לך מכל זה ויסלח לך הבורא. ואסלח לך אני גם בנפש חפיצה וברצון על כל מה שעבר: אל תמרה את פי בכל מה שכתבתי לך בצואתי זאת: ומה שלא כבדתי עד עתה, כבדני במה שנשאר מימי ואחרי מותי! וכל כבודי שתוסיף מעלה בבקשת החכמה ובמנהגים טובים והמדות החמודות. ושתהיה רצוי לכל ושיהיה לך שם טוב שהוא הכתר הגדול. ושתדבק ביראת האל ובשמור מצותיו. ושיהיו עסקיך וחברתך עם בני אדם בעניין שידוך הכל. ובזה תכבדני בחיי ובמותי! ב' מ'

⁴⁹ MS. ובדקדוק.

⁵⁰ MS. מצותי.

Ben Mishle says:

In the son of the wise are three virtues:

His errors are few and his follies;

He bows, feeling humble, to his people;

He is raised above them all by his wisdom.

Thanks to my Creator, I know of thee that thou fearest Heaven in all thy ways, except as regards honoring thy father. Thou hast transgressed my commands and refused me obedience. Great, however, is this thing in the sight of God and man. Acquire the virtue of obedience and prosper! I trust to God that this, my separation, will be for thy good, and that thou wilt take it to thy heart to receive instruction, for thou hast none beside me, except thine own soul, mind and understanding. The Nagid of blessed memory has said:

What good is there in life if my work

To-day remains as 'twas yesterday?

Therefore, my son! Strive to honor me and thee from this day onwards. All the honor I desire is to be remembered for good because of thee in life and death; that those who behold thee may exclaim: "Blessed be he who begat this one, blessed be he who reared him!"⁶³ For I have no son but thee by whom my name may be recalled, and all my memory and glory are centered in thee. Reward from God and renown from men shall accrue to thee, in that thou continuest my name for good!

⁶³ Reversing T. B. Sanh. 52a.

בבן חכם שלשה מעללים,
שגיאותיו מתי מספר וסכלו,
וישח בעבור קטנו לעמו,
ויתנשא לראש⁵¹ כלם בשכלו:

ותהלה ליוצרי! יודע אני בכך כי ירא שמים אתה
בכל דרכיך. רק בדבר כבוד אב בלבד. שעברת
על מצותי ולא שמעת לקולי. וגדולה היא בעיני
הבורא ובעיני כל בני אדם. והשג תשיג והצל תציל!
ואני יודע ובוטח ביוצרי שפרידתי זאת תהיה לך
לטובה. כי תשיב אל לבך לקחת מוסר. כי אין לך
בלעדי כי אם נפשך ודעתך ושכלך: והנגיד ז"ל
אמר,

מה טוב בחיים אם פעולתי .

היום כמו היתה ביום אתמול?

על כן בני! השתדל בכבודי וכבודך מעתה
וכבודי כולו שאזכר⁵² לטובה בעבורך בחיים
ובמות. ויאמרו רואיך, ברוך שזה ילד! ברוך שזה
גדל! כי אין לי בן להזכיר בו שמי זולתך. וכי
כל זכרי ותפארתי אינם כי אם בך. על כן במה
שתשים זכרי לטובה יהיה לך שכר טוב אצל הבורא
ותפארת בני אדם:

⁵¹ O בראש.

⁵² MS. שאזכור.

Thou knowest what I suffered in bringing thee up. Thou hast seen what the learned R. Moses, son of R. Judah, did. He had four sons, and he dispersed them here and there, and went and left them, to marry again. But I, from out of my compassion towards thee, did not wish to bring thee into the hand of another woman.⁶⁴ But I bore all the anxiety, and great it was, of rearing and caring for thee. Thou knowest this, and all men know it, for, but for my great devotion thou wouldst have died, or lived deformed. Remember these things, my son! and take it to thy heart to hear and perform my instructions. Very important is it that thou shouldst fulfil my commands regarding thy diet. Slay me not before my time! For thou knowest my distress, my soul's sorrow, my fear for thee in thy sickness. Better death to me than life, that I look not on my wretchedness.⁶⁵ Yearly, as thou knowest, thou art visited with sickness (for my sins!), and the chief cause of thy complaints is unwholesome food. *Ben Mishle* says:

Dost thou desire thy health to hold,
 O'er thy lust make long thy furrow;⁶⁶
 Wage war against thyself as though
 Opposed to archer or to spearman!

And now, O my son! by the God of heaven,

⁶⁴ E. has misunderstood the whole of this passage. The author clearly refers to his disinclination to provide a stepmother for his son. E. takes it to refer to Samuel's marriage.

⁶⁵ Cf. Jonah 4.3, Num. 11. 15. ⁶⁶ Ps. 129.3.

וכבר ידעת מה שסבלתי בעבור גדולך. וראית
מה שעשה החכם ר' משה בר' יהודה שהיו לו
ארבעה בנים. ופזרם אצל כל פנה והלך והניחם
לקחת אשה. ואני בחמלתי עליך לא רציתי להביאך
ביד אשר אחרת. וסבלתי כל הצער אשר סבלתי
מגדול ומשמירתך הגדולה. כי אתה יודע ההפלגה
שהגעתי בשמירתך. ובני אדם יודעים זה כי לולא
השמירה הגדולה ההיא היית מת או בעל מום קבוע
או מחוסר: זכור אלה בני! והשב אל לבך לשמוע
בקולי ולקחת מוסרי. ומן הדבר הגדול שתקיים
בו מצותי ותשמר דברי שתשמר במאכליך. ואל
תמיתני בלא עתי. כי אתה יודע צערי וצרת נפשי
ופחדי עליך בחלייך ויראתי בעבורך. וטוב היה
לי מותי מחיי ואל אראה ברעתי. ותדע כי אתה
מנוסה בחליים בכל שנה בעוונותי. ורוב סבותם
המאכלים הרעים: ב' מ'

אם תאהב הרבות שלומים לך,

על תאותך הארך מענית!

ולחם לך עם נפשך כאשר

תלחם באיש יורה בחץ וחנית!

ועתה בני! אני אשביעך באלהי השמים ובמה

by the obedience to me imposed by His law, by the gratitude due for my rearing and educating thee, I adjure thee to abstain, with all thy resolution, from noxious food! Experience has taught thee how much thou hast suffered from carelessness in this regard. Be content with little and good, and beware of hurtful sweets. "Eat no eating that prevents thee from eatings."⁶⁷ What is the use of all thy wisdom if "thou layest a snare for my life, to cause me to die?"⁶⁸ Art thou not ashamed before thyself and the world when all know that thou art periodically sick because of thy injurious diet? There is no more disgraceful object than a sick physician, who shall forsooth mend others when he cannot mend himself.⁶⁹ *Ben Mishle* says:

Turn from one who enjoins the doing
Of right, but himself is a man of wrong!
How shall *he* heal the malady,
Who himself suffers from its pain?

Take heed to thyself! Preserve thy life, be not thine own destroyer! And if thou hast no pity on me and on thyself, have compassion on the child of thy delight, the object of thy yearning! For I shall be but a little while with you. Give me ease for that short space, be not a transgressor because of me! As *Ben Mishle* says:

⁶⁷ Quoted, later, by Joshua Ibn Shuaib (Discourse 44) as a proverb.

⁶⁸ I Sam. 28.9.

⁶⁹ Gen. Rabbah 20; Luke 4.23.

שחייבך הבורא מכבודי. ובמה שיש לי עליך מן הגדול ולמוד תורה. שתשמר בכל יכולתך מן המאכלים הרעים. כי כבר ידעת ונסית כי כל חלייך הן מאשר הקלות במאכלים הרעים: והסתפק בני! במעט הטוב והרחק מן הערב המזיק. ואל תאכול אכילה שתמנע אכילות. ולמה חכמת אתה אז יותר ואתה מתנקש בנפשי להמיתני? ולמה לא תבוש מעצמך ומבני אדם שכולם יודעים כי בעבור מאכליך הרעים אתה חולה בכל שנה? כי אין גנות ובושה כמו רופא שיהיה חולה. ויקשט אחרים ואינו יכול לקשט עצמו: בן משלי,

סור ממצוה לעשות

צדק, והוא איש עולה!

איכה ירפא החלי

מי בו כחליו מחלה?

השמר לך בני! ושמור נפשך ואל תחבל בעצמך. ואם לא תחמול עלי ולא על נפשך חמול על ילד שעשועיך והמון מעיך. כי אני מעט יש לי לעמוד עמכם. הנח לי בני! במעט ההוא ואל תאשם בעבורי! בן משלי,

If one follow the counsel of the foolish,
 His foes will see his fall;
 Who scorns the word of his doctor,
 Falls indeed—into disease!⁷⁰

Thanks, thanks, to God, thou hast good food to eat and good wine to drink; but even wert thou to live on bread and water if I so commanded, 'twould but be thy duty. Lo, the sons of Jonadab son of Rechab denied themselves most of the enjoyments of life, they, their wives, and their children. But I seek to restrain thee only from things injurious to thy health. *Ben Mishle* says:

Who eateth naught but wholesome food,
 His food is *for* him;
 But if he eat unwholesome food,
 His food is against him.

Say not in thy heart: "I will venture as before and will escape."⁷¹ For all the world knows that but for the mercy of God and for my nearness to thee, thou hadst been near to death.⁷² (May the Lord preserve thee in happy life). But not at every hour does a miracle happen!⁷³ "Lo, all these things doth God work, twice, yea thrice, with a man" [but not always].⁷⁴

⁷⁰ E: "Will have no comfort in sickness."

⁷¹ I have translated as though the Heb. text read וְאִנִּי צָלָה.

⁷² The Heb. has euphemistically "life".

⁷³ T. B. Meg. 7b.

⁷⁴ Job 33.29.

מהלך בעצת סכל⁵³

משנאיו בו יהיו⁵⁴ רואים.

והמיקל בניב רופא

יהי נופל בתחלואים:

ושבח לבורא! תוכל לאכול לחם טוב ולשתות
יין טוב. ואפילו אם היית אוכל לחם ומים
בעבור כבודי וכדי לעשות רצוני היה לך לעשות:
והנה בני יונדב בן רכב כאשר אמרתי לך מנעו
עצמם מרוב הנאות העולם הם ונשיהם ובניהם.
ואני איני מונע אותך כי אם מן המזיקים: בן משלי,

אשר יאכל אכלים הראוים

לגופתו, יהי⁵⁵ לו מאכלו.

והאוכל אכלים לא ראוים,

תהי עליו אכילתו ולא לו:

ואל תאמר בני בלבך אצא כפעם בפעם ואנצר.
כי כל העולם יודעים כי לולא חסד השם ורחמיו.
ושהייתי קרוב אליך. קרוב היית לחיים. המקום
יחיך חיים טובים! ולא כל שעתא ושעתא מתרחיש
ניסא. והן כל אלה יפעל אל פעמים שלש עם גבר:

53 O מיקל. 54 O יהי. 55 O תהי.

Bethink thyself that I shall not be far from thee a day or two, or ten or twenty days, [but for a very long time]. Take all this to thy heart and act accordingly. Gossip not overmuch in the public streets, and do not dine away from home all the days of my absence. If an esteemed friend or relative invite thee to a banquet, pay him thy respects by thy presence and courtesy only.⁷⁵

My son! Acquire a knowledge of the Calendar;⁷⁶ take occasional lessons in the subject from R. Aaron. It is a most necessary science.

My son! I command thee to honor thy wife to thine utmost capacity. She is intelligent and modest, a daughter of a distinguished and educated family. She is a good housewife and mother, and no spendthrift. Her tastes are simple, whether in food or dress. Remember her assiduous tendance of thee in thine illness, though she had been brought up in elegance and luxury. Remember how she afterwards reared thy son⁷⁷ without man or woman to help her. Were she a hired nurse she would have earned thy esteem and forbearance; how much the more, since she is the wife of thy bosom, the

⁷⁵ i. e. attend, but do not partake of the feast.

⁷⁶ E.: "study chronology." On Aaron ben Meshullam see *J. E.*, i, 18.

⁷⁷ The variation of the use of "son" and "sons" (unless it be due to the carelessness of the scribe) points to the fact (confirmed by the statement at the end of the metrical epilogue) that the author more than once re-touched his Testament, which bears several signs of different dates.

ועתה בני! אינני⁵⁶ רחוק ממך יום אחד ולא יומיים
ולא עשרה ימים ולא עשרים יום. השב אל לבך
כל זה ועשה כפיהו: בני! אל תרבה לשוח במסלות
ובדרכים. ואל תאכל בסעודה חוץ לביתך כל
ימי גדודי ממך: ואם יקראך לסעודה מי שיקר
בעיניך אוהב או קרוב כבדהו בעמידתך ושמושך
בלבד:

בני! למוד לעתים לפני החכם ר' אהרן מן
העבור. כי חכמה שהצורך אליה היא:

בני! גם אני מצוך שתכבד אשתך בכל יכלתך.
כי אשה משכלת וצנועה ובת גדולים בחכמה וביחס.
ושמשת טובה לך ולבנך. ואינה מפזרת. ולא מבקשת
גדולות לא במאכל ובמשתה ולא בכסות. וזכור
שמושה הטוב לך בחלייך והיא כבודה ויחידה.
וגדולה את בנך⁵⁷ אחר כן בלא עוזרת ובלא עוזר.
ואפילו אם היתה מיניקת לבניך היה לך לכבדה
ולפייסה. כל שכן אשת חיקך ובת גדולים אל תנהג

⁵⁶ MS. אינני.

⁵⁷ Perh. read לבניך; see note to translation.

daughter of the great, art thou bound to treat her with consideration and respect. To act otherwise is the way of the contemptible. The Arab philosopher says of women: "None but the honorable honoreth them, none but the despicable despises them." *Ben Mishle* also says:

Pardon thy child and wife their failings,
And persevere in thine exhortations;
As an armorer sharpens the edge of a sword,
By oft drawing it to and fro on the stone.

If thou wouldst acquire my love, honor her with all thy might; do not exercise too severe an authority over her; our Sages have expressly warned men against this.⁷⁸ If thou givest orders or reprovest, let thy words be gentle. Enough is it if thy displeasure is visible in thy look, let it not be vented in actual rage. Let thy expenditure be well ordered. It is remarked in the *Choice of Pearls*:⁷⁹ "Expenditure properly managed makes half an income." And there is an olden proverb: "Go to bed without supper and rise without debt." Defile not the honor of thy countenance by borrowing; may thy Creator save thee from that habit! *Ben Mishle* says:

When thou art poor, ride on the back of a lion,⁸⁰
To seek thy sustenance, and beg of none!
Nor covet other's wealth, for in such envy
Thine own heart thou painest more than
another's!

⁷⁸ T. B. Gittin 7b.

⁷⁹ Ch. i (beginning).

⁸⁰ i. e. go through any danger rather than beg alms.

לקלות ולהבזות כי כן מנהג הפחותים. וחכם הערב
אמר על הנשים לא יכבדם כי אם נכבדו. ולא
יבזם כי אם נבזהו: בן משלי,

סלח לבן ולאשה מריהם

ושובה עוד וצוה בן ואשה.

כמו לוטש פני חרב אשר הוא⁵⁸

ברוב הולך⁵⁹ ורוב הבא לטושה:

ואם רצונך לקנות אהבתי כבדנה בכל יכלתך.
ואל תטיל עליה אימה יתירה. ורבותינו ז"ל הזהירו
מזה: ואם תצוה ותוכיח יהיו דבריך בנחת. ותספיק
שתראה הכעס בפניך במה שלא כרצונך ואל
תוציאהו למעשה: ושתנהוג בהוצאתך בסדר⁶⁰ נאה.
וכבר נאמר במבחר הפנינים, הסדר בהוצאה חצי
הספוק. ומשל הקדמוני לין בלא סעודה והשכם
בלא חוב: ולא תחלל בני הדר פניך בשאלה.
ויוצרך יצילך ממדה זו! ב' מ'

בעת תדל רכב על גב ארי אל⁶¹

מזונך, ואל תשאל לאישים!

ואל תחמוד! למען כי בחמדך

לבבך תעציב טרם אנשים!

אריאל O⁶¹. בסתר MS.⁶⁰. הביא, הולך O⁵⁹. היא O⁵⁸.

Thou knowest already what is said on this subject in the *Choice of Pearls*⁸¹ and in *Ben Mishle*; how they denounced this failing, which indeed cleaves like leprosy and degrades all self-respect. *Ben Mishle* says:

Eat herbs in safety,⁸²
 And not meat in danger;
 Take one thing by commerce,
 And not a thousand by gifts!

My son! Devote thy mind to thy children⁸³ as I did to thee; be tender to them as I was tender; instruct them as I instructed; keep them as I kept thee! Try to teach them Torah as I have tried, and as I did unto thee do thou unto them! Be not indifferent to any slight ailment in them, or in thyself (may God deliver thee and them from all sickness and plague), but if thou dost notice any suspicion of disease in thee or in one of thy limbs, do forthwith what is necessary in the case. As Hippocrates has said: Time is short, and experiment dangerous. Therefore be prompt, but apply a sure remedy, avoiding doubtful treatment.

Examine thy Hebrew books at every new moon, the Arabic volumes once in two months, and the

⁸¹ Ch. 48.

⁸² Cf. Prov. 15.17. It seems (as Kahana has suggested) that the sentiments of the *Ben Mishle* are mostly, if not invariably, epigrammatic expansions of texts in Proverbs. So with the same poet's *Ben Tehillim* (Psalms) and *Ben Koheleth* (Ecclesiastes); they are modelled on texts in the books after which they are named.

⁸³ Here the *plural* is used several times in the Hebrew.

וכבר ראית מה שנאמר בזה במבחר הפנינים
ובבן משלי. כי המדה הזאת דבקה כצרעת
ומפחיתה כל מעלה: ב' מ'

אכול ירק במבטחים,
ולא בשר בסכנה!
וקח אחת בחק מקח,
ולא אלף במתנה!

בני! הרגיש על בניך כאשר הרגשתי עליך.
וחמול עליהם כחמלתי. ויסרם כמוסרי. ושמרם
כשמירתי. והשתדל ללמדם תורה כשהשתדלתי.
וכאשר עשיתי לך כן תעשה להם. ואל תקל במעט
מיחוש שיקרה להם וכן בעצמך. והאלהים יצילך
ויצילם מכל מחלה ומכל נגע! ואם תרגיש בשום
מיחוש בעצמך או באחד מאברריך⁶² מיד תשתדל
לעשות כל הצריך לעניין. וכבר ידעת מה שאמר
אבוקרט, כי העת צר והנסיון סכנה. על כן היה
זריז ואל תאריך! והשתמש במובטח ורחק מן הספק:
ופקוד ספריך העבריים בכל ראש חודש.
והערביים פעם בשני חדשים. והכרכים הקשורים

⁶² מבניך Pesh. read

bound codices once every quarter. Arrange thy library in fair order, so as to avoid wearying thyself in searching for the book thou needest. Always know the case⁸⁴ and chest where the book should be. A good plan would be to set in each compartment a written list of the books therein contained.⁸⁵ If, then, thou art looking for a book, thou canst see from the list the exact shelf it occupies without disarranging all the books in the search for one. Examine the loose leaves in the volumes and bundles, and preserve them. These fragments contain very important matters which I collected and copied out. Do not destroy any writing or letter of all that I have left. And cast thine eye frequently over the Catalogue so as to remember what books are in thy library.

Never intermit thy regular readings with thy teacher, study in the college of thy master on certain evenings before sitting down to read with the young. Whatever thou hast learned from me or from thy teachers, impart it again regularly to worthy pupils, so that thou mayest retain it, for by teaching it to others thou wilt know it by heart, and their questions will compel thee to precision, and remove any doubts from thine own mind.

Never refuse to lend books to anyone who has not the means to purchase books for himself, but

⁸⁴ See note to Hebrew text. The word is obviously the Sp. *armario* (Fr. *armoire*).

⁸⁵ This method was often adopted in old libraries, see the example in the fine book-cases in St. John's College, Cambridge.

פעם בשלושה חדשים: וסדר הכל סדר נאה כדי שלא תיגע לחפש ספר כשאתה צריך אליו. ושתדע מקומו מן הארמרים⁶³ והתיבות: ואם היית כותב ספרי כל בית מן הארמרים באגרת, ותשימנה בבית ההוא, כדי שאם תחפש ספר תראה באגרת באי זה בית הוא, קודם שתבלבל הספרים, היתה זריות נאה! וכן תעשה בתיבות. ועיין בעלים אשר בכרכים ובאגורות ושמרם! ואל תבו להם. כי יש בהם חמודות גדולות ממה שקבצתי וכתבתי. ואל תאבד כתב ולא אגרת מכל מה שהנחתי. וכן עיין במזכרת ספריך תמיד כדי שתזכור מה שיש אתך מן הספרים:

ואל תניח לעסוק בתלמודך לפני רבך. ואל תקבע ללמוד עם הבחורים כי אם אחר שתקום מבית מדרש רבך בקצת הלילות. וכל מה שלמדת ממני ומרבותיך למד לתלמידים הגונים תמיד. כדי שיתקיים למודך בידך. ובלמודך להם תדע אותו על פה. ויחדרוך בשאלותם לצאת מן הספק שבלמודך:

ואל תמנע מלהשאל ספריך למי שאין בידו

⁶³ MS. here and below הארמדים.

only act thus to those who can be trusted to return the volumes. Thou knowest what our Sages said in the Talmud,⁸⁶ on the text: "Wealth and riches are in his house; and his merit endureth for ever."⁸⁷ But, "Withhold not good from him to whom it is due,"⁸⁸ and take particular care of thy books. Cover the book-cases with rugs⁸⁹ of fine quality; and preserve them from damp and mice, and from all manner of injury, for thy books are thy good treasure. If thou lendest a volume make a memorandum before it leaves thy house, and when it is returned, draw thy pen over the entry. Every Passover and Tabernacles call in all books out on loan.

Make it a fixed rule in thy home to read the Scriptures, and to peruse grammatical works on Sabbaths and festivals, also to read *Proverbs* and the *Son of Proverbs*. Also I beg of thee, look at the chapter concerning Jonadab son of Rechab every Sabbath, to instil in thee diligence to fulfil my commands.

My son! If thou hearest abuse of me from the lips of fools, be silent and make no reply. Take no notice of aught that they may say against me. Remember what *Ben Mishle* says:

The good will of others is the fruit of meekness,
And the fruit of contentment is tranquillity;

⁸⁶ T. B. Ketubot 50a.

⁸⁷ Ps. 122.3. The Talmud applies the verse to one who writes the Scriptures and lends his copies to others.

⁸⁸ Prov. 3.27.

⁸⁹ Sp. tapeta. Cf. Fr. tapis. Ger. Teppich. There is also the Rabbinic רִשְׁפִּיט, a loan word from the Greek τάπητος (ητος).

יכולת לקנות ספר. ובלבד שהוא מובטח שיחזירם
 לך: וכבר ידעת מה שאמרו רבותינו בכתובות
 בפסוק הון ועושר בביתו וצדקתו עומדת לעד:
 ואל תמנע טוב מבעליו ושמור ספריך שמירה רבה.
 וכסה הארמרים בתביט כסוי יפה. ושמור אותם
 מן המים מלמעלה ומן העכברים ומכל נזק כי הם
 אוצרך הטוב: וכאשר תשאל לאדם ספר כתבהו
 במזכרת קודם שיצא מן הבית. וכאשר ישיבהו
 העבר עליו קולמוס: ובכל פסח וסוכות השב
 לביתך כל מה שהשאלת מן הספרים לחוץ:

וקבע בביתך לקרוא המקרא ולעיין בספרי
 הדקדוק בשבתות ובימים טובים. ובמשלי ובבן
 משלי: בני! אני מפייס ממך גם כן שתעיין בכל שבת
 בפרשת בני יונדב בן רכב. כדי שתהיה זריז לשמור
 מצותי:

בני! אם תשמע חרפתי וגידופתי בפי הנבלים
 שתוק ואל תענם. ואם ידברו בי אל תרגיש להם:
 ב' מ'

אהבת בני אדם פרי לענוה.
 ופרי לשמח בחלקו מנוחה.

The fruit of hearing others in silence
Is peace of mind, confidence, and joy!

Show eagerness in honoring thy teachers and do them service. Attach thyself to their friends, make their foes thine. Treat them with respect in all places and under all circumstances, even though thou hast no need of them⁹⁰ while they have need of thee, a thousand and a thousand times more if thou needest them. As *Ben Mishle* says:

The wise is beloved of all,
And loveth all whom he meeteth;
The fool is hated of all,
And hateth all who may see him;
Therefore keep watch and ward,
To be a brother of wisdom,
And keep far thy name from the name
Of all the brothers of folly!

But, my son, honor thy comrades, and seek opportunities to profit them by thy wisdom, in counsel and deed. And unto the son of R. Zerah-yah, of blessed memory, thy master, remember his father's affection for me and for thee. Love him as a brother, esteem him as a fine scholar, for his father ever esteemed, loved and praised thee; he also left thee a praise and a blessing

⁹⁰ i. e. for further instruction.

ופרי לשומע ושותק היותו

שוקט ובוטח ונפשו שמחה:

בני! היה זריז בכבוד מוריך ומלמדיך. ועבוד
אותם ואהוב אוהביהם ושנא שונאיהם. והדרם בכל
מקום במעמד ומושב. ואע"פ שאינך צריך להם
והם צריכים לך. כל שכן אלף אלפי כפלים אם
אתה צריך להם: ב' מ'

חכם לב אהוב הכל.

ואוהב לכל בואיו:

וסכל שנוא הכל.

ושנוא לכל רואיו:

ולכן שקוד ודרוש

היותך אחי חכמה.

ורחק שמך משם

אחי ריק וסכלות מה!"

אבל בני! כבד חביריך. והרגיש עליהם להועיל
להם בחכמתך בעצה ובמעשה. ולבן הר' ר' זרחיה
ז"ל רבך תזכור אהבת אביו בי וכך. ותאהב אותו
כאח ותכבדהו כחבר גדול. כי כן היה מכבודך⁶⁴
ואוהבך ומשבח אותך אביו זצ"ל. גם הניח לך ברכה

⁶⁴ O omits מה and writes the last four lines as prose.

⁶⁵ MS. מכבודך.

after his death. My son! It can never be in thy power to requite such kindnesses; for no man can, all his days, repay one who has been in advance of him in friendship. As the Scripture says:⁹¹ "Who hath given me anything beforehand that I should repay him?" And O beware of the inimical and envious.

My son! Visit thy sisters constantly in thy letters,⁹² and inquire after their welfare. Show honor to thy relatives, for they will appreciate thy courtesies.

I enjoin on thee my son to read this, my Testament, once daily, at morn or at eve. Apply thy heart to the fulfilment of its behests, and to the performance of all therein written. Then wilt thou make thy ways prosperous, then shalt thou have good success.⁹³ If my advice seem good in thine eyes, select from among thy Arabic books one whose script pleases thee. Strive to imitate it. For in the instance of R. Samuel the Nagid, no one taught him to write Arabic. But he took a manuscript written by a scribe of repute and strove to copy it. He persevered until he succeeded in equalling his model. And now, my son! emulate such wisdom, and endeavor to follow men of virtue! Let not thy heart be envious of sinners, but let it be zealous in the fear of God all day!

⁹¹ Job 41.3.

⁹² The daughters of the author removed from Lunel on their marriage. In one of his poems 14 (ed. Harkavy), ha-Nagid uses the phrases "to visit in a letter".

⁹³ Judg. 1.8.

תהלה אחרי מותו ז"ל: בני! אל יספיק לך במי
שגמלך טוב במעשה או בכבוד או בדבור שתשלם
לו כמעשהו בלבד. כי לא יוכל אדם לשלם
למקדים כל ימיו. כמו שאמר הכתוב, מי הקדימני
ואשלם. והזהר מהשונא והמקנא!

בני! פקוד אחיותיך תמיד בכתביך. ושאל בשלומן
וחלוק כבוד לקרוביך. ויתכבדו בך:

ואני מצוה בני! וגזור עליך לקרות צואתי זאת
פעם אחת בכל יום או בלילה. ותן לבך לקיימה
ולעשות ככל הכתוב בה. כי אז תצליח את דרכיך
ואז תשכיל. ואם טובה עצתי בעיניך בחר לך
מספריך הערביים ספר אחד שתהיה כתיבתו נאה
בעיניך. והשתדל לדמותה ולחקותה. כי הנשיא ר'
שמואל לא למדהו אדם כתיבת הערבי. אך לקח
כתב אחד מכתבי הסופרים החשובים והשתדל
לכתוב כדמותו. וטרח עד שעלה בידו: ועתה בני!
קנא במשכילים ובאנשי מדות חמודות. ואל יקנא
לבך בחטאים. כי אם ביראת ה' כל היום!

And now I place before thee in verse⁹⁴ all the preceding Letter, so that all my admonitions may be told to thee in song!

Obeys my mandate, heed thou my advice,
And make, my son, the Law thy heart's desire!
Incline to wisdom an attentive ear,
Pursue the right, be faithful to the true!
Then Wisdom shall enthrone thee mid the great,
And fame become the meed of loyalty!
Serve but thy God with undivided love,
With dainties shall thy soul be satisfied!
To keep His Law hold ready hand and heart,
Heart to remember, hand as firm to do!
For lo, His word a lamp, His Law a light,
A refuge sure in storm and darkest wrath!

Honor thy parents, do them reverence,
Bind up thy soul in loving bond with theirs!
From evil turn, ne'er choose a rogue for friend,
And know thy God, act justly, and be saved!
Early and late attend at Learning's hall,
Make those thine intimates who seek her too!

⁹⁴ The rhymes of the original are not retained in the metrical paraphrase which follows. Nor have Scriptural references been appended; the snatches of quotation are numerous.

והנה לך בחרוז כל האגרת. אשר כל המוסר
בשיר אוגרת ומספרת!

שמור מצוה בני ושמע לעצה.

בתורת אל תהי לבך חפצה!

והטה את לבבך לתבונה.

והצדק רדוף ורעה אמונה!

תשימך התבונה רק למעלה.

ותתנך אמונתך תהלה!

ועבדה את אלהיך בכל לב.

ואז תשבע בכל דשן וחלב!

ומצותיו ותורותיו לשמרה.

וחוקיו לעשות הכון וזכרה!

הכי מצוה ותורה נר ואורה.

ומגדל עוז ביום זעם ועברה!

וכבוד אב ואם כבוד ומורה.

ושים נפשך בנפשותם קשורה!

וסור מרע ואל תתרע לרשע.

וצורך דע תהי צדיק ונושע!

והשכם אל נוה חכמה והערב.

וחברת דורשה תבחר ותקרב!

Whene'er thou speakest, let thy words be few,
Each phrase the best, and chosen every clause!
Rule o'er thy tongue in silence mid the throng,
Then o'er the silent throng thy tongue shall rule!
Fix not thine aim on frivolous jests and joys,
Nor waste in soft delights thy precious hours!
Let not thine heart to indolence incline,
The langor passes, but regret endures!
Engage in toil, yet all excess avoid,
Rely not on thy father's heritage:
Labor enough thine own wants to provide,
Happy the mortal whom his lot contents!
The fool, by trust in fortune, is destroyed,
While idleness the sluggard doth enslave!
If wealth be thine, let not thy heart be high,
Due honor show, and thy Creator laud!
Thy plenty share with all who are in need,
Load them, nay pamper, from thine ample store!
A tower of strength be thou, a present help,
Be humbly rich, if thou a Help wouldst find!

וקצר את דבריך בדברך.
 וברר מאמריך באמריך!
 בהחרישך תהי מושל בניבך.
 והוא ימשול בדברך בניבך!⁶⁶
 וחק אל תתנה לשחוק ושמחה.
 ואל תבחר בתענוג והנחה!
 ואל יטה לבבך למנוחות.
 למען אחריתם לאנחות!
 ויגע נפשך אך לא להרבות.
 ואל תבטח עלי נחלה לאבות!
 יגע אך עד מלאת די מחסורך.
 ושמח בחלקו הוא יבורך!
 הכי שלות כסילים תאבידם.
 ועצלת העצלים תעבידם!
 ואל ירום לבבך בעשרך.
 ושים כבוד ותן תודה ליוצרך!
 ותן מלחמך לדל והענק
 לאביונך. ולרעב תפנק!
 ומגדל עוז היה להם ומעוז.
 ואל תגאה ברוב עשרך ותעוז!

⁶⁶ So the MS. Perhaps we should read בלבך in the first line of the couplet..

To prayer attend at all appointed hours,
And make the House of God thine earliest goal!
O'er sons of men protecting wing outspread,
With gracious speech, my son, their sickness heal!
In pleasant places cast for thee the lines,
And boast not in the vanities of fools!
Assist thy kin, respect thy friends' demand,
Preserve thy wealth by giving generously!
Use all thy means the falling to upraise,
And cast not o'er thy pelf a miser's eye!
Nor covet what in other hands is found,
Lest thus thy soul with bitterness be filled,
While all thy days in grief and rage are spent;
And how can anger help or profit thee?
Thy want supplied, thou needst no fuller store,
Scorn him who cries enough is not enough!
And covet not thy neighbor's wife, my son,
Great though her charm, though beautiful her
form!

From men who utter falsehood keep aloof,
In slander's mischief see thou bear no hand!
From faction-mongers steadfastly withdraw,

והתפלל בעתות התפלה.
ואל בית הכנסת בא תחלה!
ולבני איש כנפיו תרפה.
בני. ולשונך יהיה למרפא!
והפל בנעימים לך חבלים.
ואל תהבל בהבלי הכסילים!
וקרב את קרוביך וכבוד
חביריך. והונך אל תאבד!
בהכשלם עזור להם כיכלך.
ועינך אל תהי רעה בשלך!
ואל תחמוד אשר בידי אחרים
בני! פן נפשך תשבע מרורים.
וימך במכאובים וכעס.
ומה יועילך כעסך ויעש?
ובמלאת ספקך תשבע בכל הון.
ותלעג לאשר לא אמרו הון!
ואל תחמוד בני! אשת עמיתך.
ורוב לקחה ויופיה אל יסיתך!

רחק מדוברי שקר וסורה
בני, מהולכי רכיל וגורה!
ומעל דוברי סרה והפכם

Lest they entice thee to their erring ways!
The Rock that formed thee hold thou still in awe,
And fear to use His Name for frivolous ends!
From faults of other men avert thine eyes,
On thine own blemish gaze and know thy state!
Show kindness unto all thy fellow men,
Tender thy substance as well as thy advice;
If to thy counsel they incline deaf ears,
Then cease to pester them with futile words!

Forgive thy friend the injury he does,
Join not his foes, nor share their wicked plan!
With all the world deal ever honestly,
Lest thine own soul thou draggest down in shame!
If thou hast borrowed, pay before 'tis asked,
Avoid disputes, and tremble at an oath;
If thou hast lent, forbear to press thy debt,
Rely on God for certain recompense!

What thy lips utter let thine hands confirm,
Ne'er break the law this maxim inculcates!

נטה. פן יחטיאוך בדרכם!
 ואת צור בוראך תירא. ותפחד
 להשבע בשם אל המיוחד!
 והעלם עינך ממום חבירך.
 ומומך דע. והבט אל חסרך!⁶⁷
 וברר לחבירך אהבתך.
 והועילו בהונך ועצתך!
 ואם לא יאזין אל מאמרך
 בני, אל תוסף שנייה על דברך!

ולאזהבים היה נושא פשעים.
 ואל תבוא בסוד זרים ורעים!
 ויהיה עסקך טוב עם בני איש
 בני, פן נפשך תחפיר ותוביש!
 ועת תלזה פרע קודם תביעה.
 וסור מדין וגורה משבועה!
 ואל תגוש בהלוותך חברך.
 ואל שדי ישלם את שכרך!

ושמרה ועשה את מוצא שפתך.
 ושימה זאת בני חקך ודתך!

⁶⁷ The MS. reads מעמדך. Perhaps correct to אשריך
 ("thine own mode of life"). The rhyme needs a ד for the ד.

Thy tongue deliver from the liar's snare,
E'en in thine anger moderate thy taunts!
Than liars none are held in greater scorn,
For on them rests the stigma of their lies!
How honored in all eyes are men of faith,
How fair the path of upright men and true!
Thy secret unto others ne'er reveal,
Lock it within the prison of thine heart!
As strangers treat thy friends who fain would pry,
An alien her who in thy bosom lies!
For sacred still another's secret hold,
Nor gad about a dangerous gossip!

Sell not thy self-respect by asking boons,
Beg not, nor all thy dignity degrade;
Eat simple herbs, and feed on barley bread,
And do not veil thy countenance with shame!

Honor thy wife, and love and draw her nigh,
Speak to her heart with sweet and soft address;
Through thee let her be glorified, and thou
In her repute shalt find thyself renowned!

והצל מדבר שקר לשונך.
והארך אפך בגלות חרוֹנך!
הכי כל דוברי שקר גרועים
בעיני כל. ובשקר ידועים!
ומה נכבד בעין כל איש אמונים.
ומה יקרו דרכיו הנכונים!
וסודך אל תגלה לאחרים.
ושים את לבך לו לבית אסורים!
ושים אוהבים בזה כנכרים.
ושוכבת בחיקך כזרים!
וסוד אחר לאדם לא תגלה.
ורכיל אל תהי הולך לכלה!

ואל תתן כבודך בשאלה.
הכי משאל מחלל כל גדולה!
והירק אכול עם פת שעורים.
ואל תפל הדר פנים יקרים!

ואשת חיקך כבד וקרב.
ויהיה לה דברך טוב וערב!
למען זאת תכובד בעבורך.
ובכבודה כבודך והדרך.

Because of her, hold thou her kindred dear,
Set them among thy brothers and thy friends!
And if thou must reprove, be gentle still,
Forbear from rough retort or violence;
Better she render service of her love,
Than that, compelled, she yield enforced consent!
Learn not to curse, for curses are enrolled
Among the grievous, not 'mong trivial sins!
Unto thine offspring be compassionate,
Direct them in the Law by day and night!
At freshest dawn the rule of life impart,
In earliest youth O teach them to be wise!
So save them from all pitfalls in the path,
And keep their souls from straying into ill!

Take care in writing to avoid mistakes,
Lest in the reading others laugh at thee;
Such error brings the scribe to shame, and adds
A blemish to his count, nay e'en a crime!
So still re-read thy scroll, with zeal revise,
Supply defective words or syllables;
For know, the style of tongue or pen full oft

וכבד בעבודה הקרובים.
ושיתמו לאחים ואהובים!
והוכיח וצוה אך ברכות.
ואל תלמוד ענות עזות והכות!
וטוב שתעבוד אותך באהבה.
ואל תעש בהכרח ואיבה!
ואל תלמד לקלל. כי קללה
גדולה היא ואיננה נקלה!
וחוסה על ילדיך וחמלה.
ותורה למדם יומם ולילה!
ומוסרם תשחר לבקרים.
והשכילים והורם מנעורים!
ושמרם מנתיב מכשול ותועה.
ואת נפשם שמור מבוא ברעה!
וזהר בכתבך משגיאה
לבל יבזו לך אם הקריאה.
ולבושת במקהלות מביאה
ותחשב לך מום וחטאה!
ושוב על ספרך אחר כתיבה.
לבלתי תחסר בו אות ותיבה!
ודע כי מדברי פי איש וספרו

Reveals the author's wit and inmost worth!
For style, they praise the writer from afar,
For style, behold him mocked and put to scorn!
By Wisdom man excels above the herd,
And prudence wins him favor from his peers!

O bind the testimony, seal the Law,
More precious they than gold or richest gem!
Thy masters serve, obey thy teacher's voice,
Rejoice my heart, let envy find good cause!
Let conduct be the end of all thou learnest,
By goodness joined to wisdom earn applause!
Restrain thyself beneath discretion's hand,
And, thus controlled, be thou from passion free!
Despise no critic, welcome chastisement;
Before thy comrades bow, and thereby rule!
Thyself abase, let others lift thee up,
And thus thy poverty will lose its lack!

Receive thy father's doctrine, keep my words,
Treasure my orders, guard them in thy soul!
For, thrice these counsels have I written out,

מעידים על צפון שכלו וסתרו!
ובכתבו יהולל איש לרחוק.
ובכתבו יהי לבוז ולשחוק:
ובחכמה יהי יתר שאתו.
ובתבונה יכובד בעדתו:

חתום תורה בני ונצור תעודה.
אשר מפז ומזהב חמודה!
ומוריך עבוד ומלמריך.
תשמח אב ותקניא חומריך!
ולשמור לעשות הכון ולמדה.
תהי נכבד בכל קהל ועדה!
היה נעצר ביד שכלך ונמסר.
ומכל תאוותיך תהי סר!
ואל תקוץ בתוכחת ומוסר.
והכנע לרעך תהי שר!
והתנשא בהתנבל כטפסר.
וימעט רישך בזה ויחסר!

ומוסר אב קחה ושמור אמרי.
ומצותי צפון ונצור דברי!
ושלישים כתבתים לך וחכמות

Esteem thou them as pearls and corals rare!
Practise these rules, and more to them I'll add
For thine instruction if my life endure!

Behold a small cloud rising from the sea of science and learning, carried by the breeze of wisdom and understanding! If the cloud empty itself on a fertile soil, causing righteousness and faith to spring up, making pleasant knowledge to flourish,—ripeness will come in due season, and the roots of wisdom will be made firm; the branches will bloom, its food will be for nourishment, its leaves for healing! The loving-kindness of the Lord will guard it, will water it every moment, and shield it from all mishap. May He who gives prudence to the simple and to young men knowledge and discretion, bestow on thee a willing heart and a listening ear! Then shall our soul be glad in the Lord and rejoice in His salvation!

שמח בהם כעל גביש וראמות!⁶⁸
 עשה בהם ועוד אוסיף עליהם
 לך אם אחיה כהם וכהם!

הנה עב קטנה עולה מים השכל והתבונה. ברוח
 חכמה ובינה. ואם תריק על ארץ שמינה. להצמיח
 מוצא הצדק והאמונה. ולהפריח כנת הדעת
 הנעמנה. תבכר לחדשיה. ותשרש שרשיה. ותהי
 פוריה וענפה. והיה פריה למאכל ועליה לתרופה.
 וחסד יוצרה יצרנה. ולרגעים ישקנה. ומכל רע
 ישמרנה. ונותן לפתאים ערמה. לנער דעת ומזמה.
 יתן לך לב שומע ואוזן שומעת. ונפשינו תגיל בה'
 תשיש בישועתך!

⁶⁸ MS. ורמות.

אגרת מוסר ששלח הרמב"ן ז"ל לבנו

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In 1267 Moses, son of Nahman (Nahmanides), left Europe for Palestine. His departure was involuntary. He had, in 1263, been compelled to champion the Jewish cause in the public controversy held in Barcelona before the King of Aragon. The result of Nahmanides' outspokenness was his banishment.

Born c. 1195, he was thus seventy-two years of age at the moment of his migration. He survived the ordeal for three years. Nahmanides "represented Judaism from the side of emotion and feeling, as Maimonides did from the side of reason and logic" (S. Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*, first series, pp. 120 seq.). The same tenderness which marks his formal writings is revealed in his letters from Palestine. He suffered the keenest distress at his separation from family and home. Nor was the then condition of Palestine, which he pathetically depicts in one of his letters, able to console him. But he set himself to the direction of those whom he had been compelled to forsake, and wrote several letters with that object. In one of these (printed in the *J.Q.R.*, first series, v, 115) he communicated to his son Solomon counsels on various subjects, among them the duty of leading a chaste life amid the allurements of the Castilian court, where the son seems to have held a post. Solomon was his second son, the grandfather of Gersonides (see table in *J.E.*, ix, 87).

אגרת מוסר ששלח הרמב"ן ז"ל לבנו

בשנת כ"ז לאלף החמישי הוכרח רבי משה בן נחמן לעזוב את אירופא ולהשתקע בארץ ישראל. רק ארבע שנים עברו אז למן היום אשר הגין על כבוד ישראל בוכוח פומבי שהיה בברצלונה במעמד מלך אראגוניה, אבל הוא נתפש בדבורו החפשי ובעטים של מתנגדיו נדן לגלות.

שנת לידתו היתה תתקנ"ד לאלף הרביעי, ובכן היה בן שבעים ושתים בשעת גדותו. אחרי הנסיון המר הזה הוסיף לחיות עוד שלש שנים. הרמב"ן הוא, באיכח היהדות מצד הלב והרגש כמו שהרמב"ם הוא באיכח היהדות מצד השכל וההגיון (שלמה שכטר, *Studies in Judaism*, כרך ראשון, דף ק"כ וכו'). אותה הרכות המצינת את ספריו וחבוריו נראית גם באגרותיו מארץ ישראל. הפרידה מביתו ומשפחתו הסבה לו עינוים רבים ויסורים קשים, ובשום אופן לא יכול למצוא נוחם וספוק בתנאי ארץ ישראל בימים ההם, תנאים שהוא מתאר בהשתפכות הנפש באחת מאגרותיו. אכן הוא התמכר בכל לבו ונפשו להדרכת צאצאיו הנעזבים לנפשם, ויכתוב אגרות אחדות למטרה זו. באחת מאלה (נדפסה ברבעון היהודי האנגלי, סדר ראשון, כרך חמישי, דף קט"ו) יעץ לבנו שלמה עצות שונות, ביניהן החובה לחיות חיים טהורים וצנועים בתוך הפריצות של חצר המלכות הקסטילית, אשר כנראה היתה לבנו איזו משרה שם. שלמה היה בנו השני, אבי אביו של רבי לוי בן גרשון או רלב"ג (ראה הטבלה באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך תשיעי, דף פ"ז).

The most famous of his letters was addressed to his elder son Nahman. This letter is included in many editions of the Prayer book. Straight from his triumph at Barcelona, when his fame was ringing from end to end of the Jewish world, Nahmanides eulogizes Humility as the source of Reverence and as the condition of receiving the divine spirit.

The text is printed from the *תפוחי זהב* of Yehiel Milli, Mantua, 1623. Various other editions have been collated. In translating the biblical texts it was sometimes necessary to depart from the usual renderings, in order to bring out Nahmanides' application of the passages quoted. Another text with interesting expansions, is printed in B. Halper's *Anthology of Post Biblical Hebrew Literature*, Philadelphia, 1921. See vol. i, p. 133 and p. 253; vol. ii, p. 175. These two volumes were issued under the auspices of the Jewish Publication Society of America.

Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother!¹ Accustom thyself to speak in gentleness to all men, at all times. Thus wilt thou be saved from anger, the fertile cause of sin. As our Sages say²: "Over the man of wrath rules every manner of Gehinnom, and it is written³: Remove anger from thy heart, and [thus] put away evil from thy flesh.

¹ Prov. 1.8. Some versions omit "the teaching of thy mother." But Nahmanides' wife certainly was alive when the writer was compelled to leave Spain for Palestine.

² T. B. Nedarim 22a. See other quotations in support of this moralization of Gehinnom in *J. E.* v, 584.

³ Eccles. 12.10.

האגרת היותר מפורסמת של הרמב"ן נכתבה לבנו בכורו נחמן, והיא נמצאת במהדורות רבות של סדר התפלה. נפלא הוא שמיד אחרי נצחוננו בברצלונה, כששמו הלך מסוף העולם היהודי עד סופו, הלל ושבח הרמב"ן את הענוה בתור יסוד ליראת הרוממות ובתור תנאי להשראת רוח הקדש.

הנוסח הנדפס פה הוא מן הספר „תפוחי זהב“ לר' יחיאל מילי, מנטובה שפ"ג, אף כי השוייתי גם מהדורות שונות אחרות. בהעתקת הפסוקים מן התנ"ך יש אשר חשבתי לנחוץ לשנות מן התרגומים המצויים בכדי להטעים את שמוש הרמב"ן בפסוקים האלה. נוסח אחר עם הוספות חשובות נדפס ע"י בקציון הלפר ב„אנתולוגיה של הספרות העברית שאחרי התנ"ך“, פילדלפיה תרפ"א, ראה כרך א' דף קל"ג ורנ"ג, גם כרך ב', דף קע"ה. שני הכרכים האלה יצאו לאור ע"י החברה היהודית להוצאת ספרים באמריקה.

שמע בני מוסר אביך ואל תטוש תורת אבך.¹
והתנהג תמיד לדבר בנחת כל דבריך לכל אדם
בכל עת! ובזה תנצל מן הכעס, שהיא המדה הרעה
להחטיא את האדם: וכן אמרו חז"ל, כל הכועס
כל מיני גיהנם שולטים בו. שנאמר, והסר כעס

¹ Some versions complete the quotation. M., however, omits the last two words.

Evil here (in the passage of Ecclesiastes) is nothing else but Gehinnom, as when it is said (in Proverbs): 'And the wicked for the day of evil.'"⁴

Being delivered from anger, there will arise in thy heart the quality of humility, better than all things good! For "the reward of humility is the fear of the Lord."⁵ Reverence is thus the fruit of humility. For humility it is that must impel thee to lay to thine heart always the memory of whence thou camest and whither thou goest;⁶ it is humility that reminds thee that in life thou art but a worm, and the more so in death; it is humility that warns thee that the One before whom thou must be judged and called to account is the King of Glory. "Behold heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him"⁷—how much less the hearts of the children of men! "Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the Lord."⁸ Pondering over all these things, [the exaltation of God, the lowliness of man], thou wilt stand in awe of thy Creator, and be on thy guard against sin. Endowed with these qualities, thou canst but rejoice at whatever lot befall thee. If thou indeed takest humility for thy rule in life, holding thyself modestly before the world, a God-fearer and a sin-fearer,—then will there rest upon thee the spirit of the Shekinah⁹ and the radiance of the divine Glory, and thou wilt live the life of the world to come!¹⁰

⁴ Prov. 16.4. On Nahmanides' conception of the soul, see S. Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*, first series, p. 140.

⁵ Prov. 22.4. ⁶ Mishnah Abot 3.1.

⁷ I Kings 8.27. ⁸ Jer. 23.24.

מלבך והעבר רעה מבשרך. ואין רעה אלא גיהנם.
שנאמר, וגם רשע ליום רעה:

וכאשר תנצל מן הכעס, תעלה על לבך מדת
הענוה, הטובה מכל הטוב! שנאמר, עקב ענוה יראת
ה'. ובעבור הענוה תעלה על לבך מדת היראה,
כי תתן אל לבך תמיד מאין באת ולאן אתה הולך.
ושאתה רמה ותולעת בחיך, אף כי במותך. ולפני
מי אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון, לפני מלך הכבוד.
שנאמר, הנה השמים ושמי השמים לא יכלכלוך
אף כי לבות בני אדם. ואמר, הלא את השמים ואת
הארץ אני מלא נאם ה': וכאשר תחשוב את כל
אלה, תירא מבוראך, ותשמר מן החטא. ובמדות
האלה תהיה שמח בחלקך המגיעך: וכאשר תתנהג
במדת הענוה, להתבושש מכל אדם, ותתפחד² ממנו
ומן החטא, אז תשרה עליך רוח השכינה וזיו כבודו³
והיית חיי העולם הבא!

² M. Another reading: ומדתפחד. Also מ"י for the next two words.

⁹ i. e. the "Divine Presence". See Abelson (op. cit. next note) ch. iv.

¹⁰ For Nahmanides' views on the future life see his *Gate of Requital* at the end of his treatise the *Law of Man*. As to the "radiance" (*ziv*), he conceived it almost as a

And now, my son! Understand clearly that he who prides himself in his heart over other men is a rebel against the Kingship of Heaven. Such a one presumes to adorn himself in the robe of the Omnipresent. For it is God, enthroned, who wears the mantle of majesty.¹¹ And wherefore shall the heart of man be puffed up? Is it because of wealth? It is God who maketh poor and maketh rich.¹² Or is it because of honor? But honor is of God.¹³ And how shall a man boast in an honor which is his Maker's? Does he glorify himself because of his wisdom? Lo, God "removeth the speech of men of trust and taketh away the sense of the elders."¹⁴ In a word, all are equal before the Lord. For in His anger He bringeth down the high and in His good pleasure He elevates the low. Therefore debase thyself and let the Omnipresent raise thee up!¹⁵

Accordingly I will explain how thou must habituate thyself to the quality of humility in thy daily practice. Let thy voice be low, and thy head bowed; let thine eyes be turned earthwards and thy heart heavenwards. Gaze not in the face of him whom thou dost address. Every man should seem in thine eyes as one greater than thyself. If he be wise or wealthy, it is thy duty to show him respect. If he be poor and thou the richer, or if thou be wiser than he, be-think thee in thy heart, that thou art the more mystical union of the soul of man with the soul of God. Cf. J. Abelson, *The Immanence of God in Rabbinic Literature*, p. 87. See also my *Glory of God*, p. 44f.

¹¹ Ps. 93.1. The word נָאוֹת means both pride and majesty.

ועתה בני! דע וראה כי המתגאה בלבוי על
 הבריות הוא מורד במלכות שמים. כי מתפאר
 הוא בלבוש המקום. שנאמר, ה' מלך גאות לבש.
 ולמה יתגאה לב האדם? אם בעושר, ה' מוריש
 ומעשיר. ואם בכבוד, הלא לאלהים הוא. שנאמר,
 והעושר והכבוד מלפניך. ואיך יתפאר בכבוד
 קונו? ואם יתפאר בחכמה, מסיר שפה לנאמנים
 וטעם זקנים יקח: נמצא הכל שוה לפני המקום.
 כי באפו משפיל גאים וברצונו מגביה שפלים. לכן
 השפל עצמך וינשאך המקום!

על כן אפרש איך תתנהג במדת הענוה, ללכת
 בה תמיד: כל דבריו יהיו בנחת. וראשך יהיה
 כפוף. ועיניך יביטו למטה לארץ, ולבך למעלה.
 ואל תבט בפני אדם בדברך עמו: וכל אדם יהיה
 גדול ממך בעיניך. אם הוא חכם אם הוא עשיר⁴
 עליך לכבדו. ואם הוא רש ואתה עשיר ממנו, או
 שאתה חכם ממנו, חשוב בלבבך כי אתה חייב

⁴ M. לבו. ⁵ M. עשיר וחכם.

¹² I Sam. 2.7.

¹³ I Chron. 29.12.

¹⁴ Job 12.20.

¹⁵ T. B. 'Erubin 13b.

guilty, he is the more innocent. If he sin, it is from error; if thou sin, it is with design!¹⁶

In all thy doings, words, and thoughts, and at all times, regard thyself as one standing before the Omnipresent¹⁷, with His Shekinah upon thee, for the glory of the Lord filleth the universe. Let thy words be spoken in the deepest reverence as though a servant addressed his master. Hold thyself abashed before all men, and if one call thee do not answer noisily, but respond without agitation and in lowered tones, as an inferior would use to his superior.

Read in the Torah regularly, so that thou mayest be able to fulfil its precepts. When thou risest from the book, think closely over what thou hast learned, perchance there may be some thing in it for thee to translate into conduct. Examine thine actions at morn and at eve, and by this means all thy days will be passed in repentance.

And when thou prayest, remove all worldly considerations from thy heart. Set thy heart right before God, cleanse thine inmost thoughts and meditate before uttering thy devotions. Act thus all thy days, in all things, and thou wilt not sin. By this course thy deeds will all be upright, and thy prayer pure and clean, innocent and devout, and acceptable before the Lord. As it is written: "Thou, God, wilt direct their heart, Thou wilt cause Thine ear to attend."¹⁸

¹⁶ For rabbinic parallels see Derek Erez *passim*.

¹⁷ On the application to God of the term Maḳom (lit. Place, here rendered Omnipresent), see *J. E.*, iii, 460.

¹⁸ The first clause of the verse (Ps. 10.17) runs: "Lord,

ממנו והוא זכאי ממך. שאם הוא חוטא הוא שוגג
ואתה מזיד:

ובכל מעשיך ודבריך ומחשבותיך, ובכל עת,
תחשוב כאלו אתה עומד לפני המקום ושכינתו
עליך. כי כבודו מלא העולם: ודבריך יהיו באימה
וביראה, כעבד לפני רבו: והתבייש מכל אדם
ואדם. ואם יקראך איש לא תענו בקול רם, רק
בנחת ובקול נמוך, כעומד לפני גדול:

והוי זהיר לקרותי בתורה תמיד אשר תוכל
לקיימה. וכאשר תקום מן הספר חפש באשר למדת
אם יש בו דבר שתוכל לקיימו: ופשפש במעשיך
בבקר ובערב. ובזה יהיו כל ימיך בתשובה:
והסר כל דברי העולם⁶ מלבבך בעת התפלה.
והכן לבך לפני המקום. וטהר רעיונך⁷. וחשוב
הדבר קודם שתוציאנו מפיד: וכן תעשה כל ימי
חיך בכל דבר ודבר ולא תחטא. ובזה יהיו כל
מעשיך ישרים. ותפלתך זכה וברה ונקייה ומכוונת
ומקובלת לפני המקום. שנאמר, תכין לבם תקשיב
אזנך:

⁶ So corrected from usual reading רבו.

⁷ M. omits, and transposes next two words.

⁸ M. כל דבר מלבבך. ⁹ M. omits this phrase.

Read this Letter once a week, and be as regular in carrying out¹⁹ its injunctions, by its aid walking forever after the Lord, blessed be He; that thou mayest prosper in all thy ways, and be held worthy of all the good which is treasured up for the righteous!

Thou hast heard the desire of the humble." The verse is applied also by Samuel b. Nahman (T. J. Berakot end) to enforce the moral that only the prayer of a devout heart avails.

¹⁹ Or: "once a week at least; so as to carry out, etc."

תקרא האגרת הזאת פעם אחת בשבוע לא
 תפחות לקיימה וללכת בה תמיד אחרי השם יתברך
 למען תצליח בכל דרכיך. ותזכה לכל הטוב¹⁰
 הצפון לצדיקים!¹¹

¹⁰ Sometimes it would seem that לעולם הבא, the usual reading here, is an inaccurate expansion of the abbreviation ל'ה which might be הטוב לכל.

¹¹ Another version (see היקב 1894, p. 39) adds: וביום שתקראנה יענוך מן השמים אשר יעלה על לבך לשאול עד העולם שנא' ויתן לך משאלות לבך ויתן מעדנים לנפשך.

שערי המוסר (המיוחס להרמב"ם)

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There are two Testaments attributed to Maimonides (1135-1204). One of them, that most usually described as Maimonides' Testament, occurs in many libraries in manuscript, and has often been printed, since the first edition appeared in Venice in 1544. It is of polemical rather than of ethical interest, for it culminates in an ungracious, not to say abusive, denunciation of the French school of Jewish scholars. It is true that in other letters ascribed to Maimonides a similar tone is sometimes heard. Here and there, too, there are touches worthy of Maimonides, as this: "The perfect rest of the Sabbath is the attuning of the heart to the comprehension of God." Then, again, there is a circumstantial statement in a Bodleian MS. (Cat. Neubauer No. 2386) to the following effect. The Testament was written in Arabic on two leaves by Maimonides; the said leaves were detached from the book containing them, soon after the philosopher's death; and the Testament was thereupon translated into Hebrew. There is no probability in the story. The most that can be urged for the document is that it may contain some authentic points (Steinschneider, *Hebr. Ueber.* p. 931). But on the whole it seemed best to omit the document from the present collection.

But what *has* been included has no better claim to authenticity. It is however a far finer work, and deserves inclusion on its own merits. It was printed by Steinschneider

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יש שתי צואות המיוחסות לרבי משה בן מיימון (תתצ"ה–תתקס"ד לאלף החמישי). האחת, הנודעת עפ"י רוב כצואת הרמב"ם, נמצאת בכתב יד בבתי־עקדיספרים רבים ונדפסה פעמים רבות למיום הופעתה הראשונה בויניציה בשנת ש"ד. הצואה הזאת יש לה חשיבות פולמית יותר ממוסרית, יען כי כל עיקרה לא בא אלא להלשין באופן גס ומעליב על חכמי ישראל בצרפת. אמנם הד קול כזה נשמע לפעמים גם באגרות אחרות המיוחסות להרמב"ם. בכלל נמצאים בה פה ושם קוים ושרטוטים הראוים להנשר הגדול הזה, כמו הרעיון שהמנוחה השלמה והאמתית ביום השבת מסייעה לתקן ולשכלל את הלב להשגת הבורא יתברך. מלבד זאת יש ידיעה מפורטת בכ"י בודליאני (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 2386) שהצואה הזאת נכתבה ע"י הרמב"ם בערבית על שני עלים ותיכף אחרי מותו נפרדו העלים האלה מן הספר שבו היו נתונים ונעתקו לעברית. אבל אי אפשר לתת אמון בידיעה הזאת. לכל היותר אפשר להניח שהצואה הזאת יש לה איזה קוים מקוריים (שטיינשניידר, העברעאישע איבערזעטצונגען, דף תתקל"א), אבל בשלמותה חשבתי לטוב ונכון להשמיטה מן הכרך שלפנינו.

והנה צואת הרמב"ם שנתתי פה איננה בחזקת מקוריות יותר גדולה, אבל לכל הפחות היא חבור יותר יפה ומעולה מן הראשונה, וראויה היא למקום פה בשביל מעלותיה העצמיות. שטיינשניידר ועדעלמאן הדפיסו אותה בספריהם המכילים את

and Edelman in the same volumes which contain Ibn Tibbon's Testament (See p. 53). In the Bodleian MS. from which Steinschneider derived it, it is an introduction to the Testament mentioned above, and claims to be by Maimonides (מוסר נאה מאד מאד מהרמב"ם ז"ל להרב (החכם ר' אברהם בנו ז"ל)). In 1852 Steinschneider was rather inclined to accept this ascription, but he afterwards withdrew his opinion (*Hamazkir*, ii, 8, iv, 107). For it turned out that the same text had been published anonymously under the title מוסר ס' in Cracow, in 1586. Moreover L. Dukes discovered a MS. of the text in the British Museum, entitled שיערי המוסר אל השלם השר איש רוסי. This MS. is written on the margin of fol. 137b, seq. of Harleian MS. 5686. In the present writer's opinion, though the MS. is a fifteenth century copy, it points to an older original. In several places the copyist must have had an old and faded MS. before him, as he frequently was unable to read his original. It seems most probable that the text is a product of the early part of the thirteenth century. It was thus written soon after Maimonides' death, and is therefore placed in the position it occupies in the chronological sequence of this volume. In order, however, to indicate that the text is later than Maimonides, it is placed *after* the letter by Nahmanides, which it would precede, if it were really by Maimonides himself. The writer adopts several of the most prominent Maimonist views: Free-will, the doctrine of the Mean, and so forth. That the text is not by Maimonides is indicated unmistakably by the fact that the writer addresses his *children* in the plural. We know of only one child, Abraham, who carried on the reputation of Maimonides into the next generation. It is clear that the writer of this text was, like Maimonides himself, a physician.

הצוואה של אבן תבון (ראה דף 53). בכ"י הבודליאני אשר ממנו דלה שטיינשניידר את הצוואות הרי היא כעין הקדמה אל הצוואה הנזכרת לעיל והרמב"ם נזכר בפירוש בתור מחברה (מוסר נאה מאד מאד מהרמב"ם ז"ל להרב החכם ר' אברהם בנו ז"ל). בשנת תרי"ב נטה שטיינשניידר להאמין שהרמב"ם הוא מחברה, אבל אח"כ חזר על דעתו זו (המזכיר, כרך שני, דף ח'; כרך רביעי, דף ק"ז), יען כי נודע הדבר שאותו הנוסח עצמו נדפס בהעלם שם המחבר בקראקוי בשנת שמ"ו תחת השם, ס' המוסר". מלבד זאת גלה יהודה ליב דוקעס כ"י ממנו במויאום הבריטי בלונדון תחת השם, שערי המוסר אל השלם השר איש רומי". כתוב בשולי העמודים קל"ז: וכו' של כת"י הארלעס נומר 5686. לפי דעתי, אף כי הכ"י הוא מן המאה החמש עשרה בכ"ז נראה שמקורו הוא יותר עתיק. במקומות אחדים אפשר לראות שהמעתיק העתיק מכ"י בלוי מזוקן, כי לפעמים קרובות לא עלה בידו לקרוא את מקורו כראוי. אפשר מאד שהחבור הזה נכתב בתחלת המאה השלש עשרה, קרוב לפטירת הרמב"ם, וע"כ קבענו לו מקום פה בהתאם אל הסדר הכרונולוגי של הכרך הזה. אכן בכדי להראות שנוסח הצוואה הוא מאוחר מן הרמב"ם הצגנו אותו אחר האגרת של הרמב"ן, כי להפך אם היה מעשה ידי הרמב"ם עצמו כי אז צריכים היינו להקדימו. כנראה קבל המחבר מן הרמב"ם איזה מדעותיו היותר חשובות: רצון חפשי, הכלל של שביל הזהב וכו'. הוכחה נמורה שהאגרת הזאת לא נכתבה ע"י הרמב"ם היא העובדה שהמחבר פונה אל בניו בלשון רבים. אנחנו יודעים רק ע"ד בן אחד של הרמב"ם, אברהם, אשר התעטר בשם אביו. אין כל ספק שמחבר האגרת הזאת, כמו הרמב"ם עצמו, היה רופא.

In the notes to the Hebrew text, S. indicates Steinschneider's readings, B. those of the British Museum MS. This MS. has, for the first time, been collated with the Oxford version.

I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel, and hath led me in the right way.¹ I will make mention of His mercies, according to all that He hath bestowed upon me.² He hath chastened me sore, but hath not given me over unto death.³ He held me by my right hand, and in the shadow of His hand He hid me.⁴ From the burdens of fortune's wheel He delivered me, and saved me from life's vicissitudes. In the melting pot of time He tried me, and from the blackness of youth He made me white.⁵ From its perverseness He kept me aloof, and from the conflict of passion He hath given me rest. He rebuked the serpent which enticed me, and gave me to taste the sweet⁶. From the dust He raised me, and with princes He hath made me sit.⁷ My days have taught me, experience hath made me wise, time hath been my reproof. Thus far hath the Lord blessed and preserved me,⁸ granting unto me wisdom beyond my fellows, and enabling me to distinguish between good and evil. My end is in His hand, and He hath made me conscious of it, though I know not how long, nor how short-lived am I!⁹ Therefore hath His love stirred me to admonish the children whom He hath graciously bestowed on me, that they may observe the way of the Lord. I would teach them what He hath taught me, bequeath

בהערותי לנוסח העברי S משמש למהדורת שטיינשניידר, B לכ"י הנמצא במוזיאום הבריטי. השויתי את הכ"י הזה בפעם הראשונה לכ"י אוקספורד.

אברך את ה' אשר יעצני. ובדרך אמת הנחני.
חסדיו אזכיר כעל כל אשר גמלני. יסר יסרני.
ולמות לא נתנני. בימיני אחזני. ובצל ידו החביאני.
מסבלות הגלגל הוציאני. ומתהפוכותיו הצילני.
בכור הזמן צרפני. ומשחרות הילדות הלבינני.
וממשובותיו הבדילני. וממלחמת² יצרי השקיטני.
ויגער בנחש השיאני. ומתוק³ הטעימני. ומעפר
הקימני. ועם נדיבים הושיבני. הימים הורוני. והנסיון
השכילני. והזמן הוכיחני. ועד כה ברכני. והחייני.
מזולתי הבינני. ובין טוב לרע הבחינני. אשר בידו
קצי הודיעני. ולא אדע מתי ומה חדל אני. ולכן
אהבתו הערתני.⁴ לצוות את הילדים אשר חנני.

¹ S בימינו. ² S ממלחמות. ³ B מר ומתוק.

⁴ S תעירני.

¹ Ps. 16.7; Gen. 24.48.

² Is. 63.7.

³ Ps. 118.18.

⁴ Ps. 73.23; Is. 49.2.

⁵ i. e. cleansed him from the faults of youth.

⁶ Add "of contentment".

⁷ I Sam. 2.8 ⁸ Jos. 17.4. ⁹ Ps. 39.5.

to them the heritage which He gave me, ere He call me away, and His Glory shall gather me in!¹⁰

Hear me, my children! Blessed be ye of the Lord, who made heaven and earth,¹¹ with blessing of heaven above, blessings of the deep that coucheth under, blessings of the breasts and of the womb!¹² Be strong and show yourselves men!¹³ Fear the Lord, the God of your father, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and serve Him with a perfect heart, from fear and from love. For fear restrains from sin, and love stimulates to virtue. Know that He will bring all to judgment, for what is open and for what is hidden, for good and for evil.¹⁴ He who leads a good life finds good even in this world; for they that see him glorify him, and those who know him declare him blessed. And when the tale of his years is full, and he departs from the children of men, he will rejoice in the worthiness of his work and will find comfort. No fear of death will distress him, for he will not be anxious concerning punishment; he will await the good reward, to see the bliss treasured up for them that fear the Lord, and his house will be established for ever. But if a man corrupt his way and pursue

¹⁰ To Himself, or as E. takes it "to my fathers". The text (Isa. 58.8) is applied to death in T. B. Soṭa 9b, (cf. also Kimḥi's comm. on Isaiah ad loc.). Besides the references given, there are in this introduction several other biblical reminiscences, which are not direct quotations, as the author sometimes paraphrases, sometimes alters for his rhymes, sometimes modifies by the introduction of

לשמור דרך ה'. ולהורותם מאשר הורני. ולהורישם
 אשר הורישני. בטרם יקראני. וכבודו יאספני:
 שמעוני בני! ברוכים אתם לה' עושה שמים וארץ.
 ברכות שמים מעל. ברכות תהום רובצת תחת.
 ברכות שדים ורחם. חזקו והיו לאנשים!⁵ יראו את
 ה' אלהי אביכם.⁶ אלהי אברהם יצחק ויעקב.
 ועבדוהו בלבב שלם מיראה ומאהבה.⁷ כי היראה
 מביאה הזהירות מן החטא. והאהבה מביאה
 הזריזות⁸ למצות: דעו כי הכל יביא במשפט. על
 גלוי ועל נעלם. על טוב ועל רע: המטיב פעלו
 יטיבו לו בעולם הזה. רואיו יפארוהו ויודעיו⁹
 יאשרוהו. ובהמלא מספר ימיו בהפרדו מבני אדם
 ישמח על כשרון פעלו ויתנחם ולא יכאב¹⁰ מאד
 למות כי לא ידאג לעונש. אבל יצפה לגמול טוב.
 לראות בטוב הצפון ליראי ה'. וביתו יהיה נכון
 עד עולם: והמשחית דרכו וירדוף הרע. הרע

⁵ B omits this clause. ⁶ אבותיכם B. ⁷ מיראה S omits.

⁸ S reads in both cases זריזות; B in both cases זהירות.

⁹ B omits this and previous word. ¹⁰ ידאג S.

post-biblical phraseology. But the result is a singularly fine specimen of the "mosaic" type of composition.

¹¹ Ps. 115. 15. ¹² Gen. 49. 25.

¹³ I Kings 2. 2. ¹⁴ Eccles. 12. 14.

evil, evil shall pursue and overtake him and in turn corrupt his conduct farther. They that see him will despise and condemn him in his life-time; and in his death "his flesh grieveth for him, and his soul mourneth over him."¹⁵ For "he departeth in darkness and with darkness is his name covered;"¹⁶ yea, "he shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand!"¹⁷

I entreat you to recognize the excellency of light over darkness. Reject ye death and evil, choose ye life and good, for the free choice is given unto you!¹⁸ Accustom yourselves to habitual goodness, for habit and character are closely interwoven, habit becoming as it were second nature. Again, the perfection of the body is an antecedent to the perfection of the soul, for health is the key that unlocks the inner chamber. When I bid you to care for your bodily and moral welfare, my purpose is to open for you the gates of heaven! Conduct yourselves with gravity and decency; avoid association with the wanton; sit not in the streets, sport not with the young, for the fruit thereof is evil. Be found rather in the company of the great¹⁹ and learned, but behave modestly in their presence, occupying the lower seats.²⁰ Incline your head, and open

¹⁵ Job 14. 22.

¹⁶ Eccles. 6. 4.

¹⁷ Job 8. 15. In the previous verse, the house of the wicked is likened to a spider's web for frailty. There are throughout this part of the Testament reminiscences of the *Choice of Pearls*.

ירדפּהו וישיגהו וישחית מעשיו. רואיו יעקשו עליו פיהם. וילזוו¹¹ שפתותיהם. ובמותו בשרו עליו יכאב. ונפשו עליו תאבל. כי בחשך ילך¹² ובחושך שמו יכוסה. וישען על ביתו ולא יעמד:

אחלי לפניכם תכירו יתרון האור מן החושך. ומאסו במות וברע ובחרו בחיים ובטוב כי הרשות נתונה לכם.¹³ הנהיגו עצמכם במדות הטובות. כי טבע האדם תלוי במנהג. והמנהג יוקבע בטבע: דעו כי שלמות הגוף קודם לשלמות הנפש. והוא כמפתח הפותח טרקלין. ולכן עיקר כוונת מוסרי על שלמות גופכם ותיקון מדותיכם לפתוח לפניכם דלתות השמים: התנהגו בכבודות ובכבודות. חדלו לכם מחברת הקלים. ומישיבת הרחובות. ומשחוק הבחורים. כי משם יצא פרי רע: המצאו תמיד בין כבירים וחכמים.¹⁴ אך בענוה ובהכנעה ובשפל המקומות. והטו אזני¹⁵ ראשיכם ופתחו אזני לבבכם

לפניכם B ¹³. הולך B ¹². וילזוו B ¹¹.

S omits. ¹⁵. בין נכבדים B ¹⁴.

¹⁸ Eccles. 2. 13; Deut. 30. 19; Mishnah Abot iii, 15. Cf. *J. E.* v, 505.

¹⁹ Job 15. 10.

²⁰ In olden times the disciple sat on the ground (cf. Abot i.4, T. B. Megillah 21a). Cf. also Matthew 23. 6.

the ears of your heart to listen and to understand their words, and what they praise and blame; weigh²¹ their opinions and thus will ye be set in the right way. Guard your tongue from wearying them, measure your words with judgment, for the more your words the more your errors. Be not supercilious or conceited when with them; be not ashamed to ask explanations, but do so at the right moment and in fitting terms. Ponder well over every word before you utter it, for you cannot recall it afterwards.

Love wisdom, seek her as silver, search for her as for hidden treasures.²² Be found on the threshold of the wise, those that learn and those that teach. There obtain your recreation; there take delight in hearing discourse of science and morals, as well as the new thoughts and ingenious arguments of the students. Emulate those who seek knowledge, despise those who have no intellectual curiosity. Whether you ask a question or answer one, speak without haste or obscurity, softly and without stammering.²³ Use refined phrases, let your utterance be clear, tranquil, and apt to the point. Behave as one who wishes to learn and to discover the truth, not as one whose aim is to dispute and win a wordy victory. Attend there in a receptive frame of mind, determined to profit by your attendance; then will study be pleasant

²¹ Or, following a different punctuation, "weigh what they praise and blame."

²² Prov. 2.4.

²³ Is. 28.11.

לשמוע ולהבין¹⁶ דבריהם ומה יגנו ומה ישבחו.
 ושקלו¹⁷ הענינים קצתם על קצתם. ואז תשכילו:
 שמרו פיהם ולשונכם מהעתיר דברים לפניהם.
 כלכלו דבריכם במשפט. כי בהרבות דבריכם
 ירבו טעיותיכם¹⁸. ואל תתהדרו ותתגאו לפניהם.
 ואל תבושו לשאול הנעלם מכם. אך בעת ראוי¹⁹
 ובלשון ראוי. חשבו ושקלו הדבר טרם תוציאוהו
 מפיכם כי לא תוכלו להשיבו:

אהבו החכמה. בקשו ככסף. וכמטמונים
 חפשו²⁰. הסתופפו בבתי החכמים. הלומדים²¹
 והמלמדים. שם יהיה טיולכם. והתענגו שם בשמוע
 החכמות והמוסרים והחדושים ופלפולי התלמידים.
 קנאו ליודעים²² ובזו בלבבכם הגולמים: כאשר
 תשאלו או תענו דבר. אל תמהרו ואל תבהלו ואל
 תצעקו ואל תדברו בלעגי שפה. דברו במבחר
 הלשון. בצחות²³ השפה. בקול נחת.²⁴ בכיוון
 הענינים. כמבקש ללמוד ומחפש האמת. לא כמריב
 ומבקש לנצוח: עמדו שם ברצון²⁵. והתבוננו להוציא
 משם תועלת ואז ינעם לכם ויקל עליכם. ואם

¹⁶ ולהאזין S. ¹⁷ שקלו S, putting stop at דבריהם.

¹⁸ טענותיכם S. ¹⁹ ובחכמה B adds. ²⁰ חפשו S.

²¹ B omits. ²² לתלמידים B. ²³ בכבוד B.

²⁴ B omits phrase. ²⁵ ברצונכם S.

and facile. But if you allow your heart to wander hither and thither, you will fail in the main purpose of your attendance, for you will learn nothing, and the heavy confinement will wear out your body. When ye leave the college, realize what you are taking home; grave it on your brain, bind it to your heart! Learn in your youth, when ye eat what others provide; while your mind is still free, and unencumbered with cares; ere the memory lose its vigor. For the time will come when ye will wish to learn but will be unable. And, even if ye do not entirely fail, ye will labor much to little effect; for your mind will lag behind your lips, and when it does keep pace, the memory will not hold fast what the mind attains.

Behold, my counsel is committed into your hand, you may profit much from the study of it to confirm truth,²⁴ to settle the mind, and to remove doubt. When you find in the Law or the Prophets, or the books of the Sages, a deep text or an obscure saying, which you cannot understand nor can penetrate into its secret; which appears subversive of the corner-stones of the Torah or altogether absurd; do not budge from your faith, let not your mind be confounded. Stand fast in your stronghold, and attribute the fault to yourselves, for it is not a vain thing, and if it be vain, it is because of your lack of understanding.²⁵ Place

²⁴ According to another reading: "faith".

²⁵ Maimonides, *Guide*, iii, ch. 26, cites this use of the text, Deut, 32. 47. "The giving of these commandments [whose object is not clear] is not a vain thing and without

תשלחו לבכם אנה ואנה תפסידו מן²⁶ הקרן
 במעמדכם.²⁷ כי לא תלמדו ויכבד עליכם המסגר²⁸
 המחלה הגוף: ובצאתכם דעו מה תוליכו לבתיכם.
 חקוהו במוחכם. וצוררוהו בלבבכם: למדו
 בבחרותכם באכלכם הכנת זולתכם. ובעוד לבכם
 פנוי טרם ימלא מחשבות וכח המזכיר יחלש. כי
 יבוא עת שתרצו ולא תוכלו. ואפילו מה שתוכלו
 תתיגעו עם מעט תועלת. כי לא ירדוף הלב את
 הפה. ואפילו במה שירדפהו לא יחזיקהו כי
 ישכחהו:

הנה מוסרי בידכם מסור.²⁹ יש בו תועלת רב
 בלמוד לחזקת האמונה.³⁰ ולישב בדעת ולהסיר
 המבוכה: כאשר תמצאו כתוב עמוק ומאמר נבון
 בתורה או בנביאים או בספרי חכמים. אשר לא
 תבינוהו ולא תדעו מסתרו. ונראה כסותר פנות
 התורה או דברי הבאי. אל תזונו מאמונתכם. ואל
 יתבלבל שכלכם. עמדו בחזקתכם. והפחיתות ההוא
 חשבוהו בכם. כי לא דבר רק הוא כי אם³¹ מכם.

²⁶ S omits.

²⁷ S בעמדכם. ²⁸ B כמסגר.

²⁹ B הגני מוסר בידכם מסורת. ³⁰ S לחזק האמת.

³¹ S omits כי אם.

it "in a corner"²⁶ and do not abominate the whole of your faith because you are incompetent to solve a single problem of philosophy. "God understandeth the way thereof, and knoweth its place."²⁷

Love truth and righteousness, and cleave to them. Prosperity so obtained is built on a sure rock. Hate falsehood and injustice, lust not after their dainties, for such happiness is built on sand.²⁸ To one who so acts apply the Scriptural words: "Say unto them that daub a wall with whited plaster, that it shall fall."²⁹

Therefore, let truth and righteousness, by which ye may seem to lose, be more lovely in your sight than falsehood and unrighteousness, by which ye may seem to gain. For thus said the Wise Man in his admonition: "Buy the truth, and sell it not."³⁰ Know that truth and righteousness are adornments of the soul and givers of strength and durability to the body. I have found no remedy for weakness of heart³¹ comparable to an infusion of truth and righteousness. Nor could the company of friends, the deep shelter of Ash-teroth Karnayim, javelin or coat of mail, give me the same sense of security as the helmet of truth and the shield of righteousness!³²

useful purpose, and if it appears so to you in any commandment, it is owing to the deficiency in your comprehension."

²⁶ A talmudic phrase, T. B. Kiddushin 66a. Here the sense is: "set it apart for further thought."

²⁷ Job 28.23.

²⁸ Cf. Abot de R. Nathan I, xxiv. See particularly Matt. 7. 24-7. Cf. I. Abrahams, *Studies in Pharisaism*.

הניחוהו בקרן זוית. ואל תשקצו כל אמונתכם על חסרון הבנת דבר חכמה.³² אלהים הבין דרכה והוא ידע את מקומה:

אהבו האמת והצדק ובהם תדבקון. כי תצליחו בהם ותקיים³³ ההצלחה ההיא כבונה על צור החלמיש: שנאו השקר והעול. ואל תתאו למטעמיהם. כי הוא כבונה³⁴ על החול. וקראו עליהם, אמור אל טחי תפל³⁵ ויפול!

לכן ינעם לכם האמת והצדק שנראה שתפסידו בהם יותר מן השקר והעול שנראה שתרויחו בהם.³⁶ וכן אמר החכם במוסרו. אמת קנה ואל תמכור: דעו כי האמת והצדק הם תכשיטי הנפש. ונותנים גבורה ובטח ונצח לגוף. ולא מצאתי רפואה לרכות הלבב כהרכבת האמת והצדק. ולא הבטיחוני אחוזת מרעים ועשתרות קרנים ושלח ושריון ככובע האמת ומגן הצדק:³⁷

³² B הדבר ההוא או חכמה אחת.

³³ S omits. ³⁴ B נבנה. ³⁵ S טפל. ³⁶ S in both cases בו. ³⁷ B is here defective.

p. 92. ²⁹ Ezek. 13.11. ³⁰ Prov. 23.23.

³¹ Prob. in the sense of "timidity"; cf. Deut. 20.8.

³² Gen. 26.26 (as interpreted by the Targum). Ashteroth Karnayim, situated E. of the Jordan, in a deep

So shall it come to pass in the day when I bequeath unto you the possessions which the Creator has preciousy bestowed on me, I will hand on to you the honesty of purpose by which God has enabled me to possess this store, for with my staff I crossed over to gain my daily bread and its drink offering, and lo! the Lord has blessed me thus far. Faithfulness has introduced me into places where my kinsmen could not admit me, and has dowered me with more than my fathers had to leave unto me. It has given me authority over men greater and better than I, and I have prospered myself and have been a source of profit to others. Therefore take heed therein, even toward one whose good the Law does not enjoin us to seek.³³ Stand by your words, let not a legal contract or witnessed deed be more binding than your verbal promise, whether publicly or privately given. Disdain reservations and subterfuges, tricks, sharp practices, and evasions. Woe to him that builds his house thereon! For if one getteth riches and not by right, "in the midst of his days he shall leave them and at his end he shall be a fool."³⁴ Live in sincerity, integrity, innocency! Touch not that which is not yours, be it a small matter or great. Taste not that which is not clearly and decisively your own. Flee from doubtful possessions, treat

dale between two hills, was a type of the completely sheltered spot (cf. T. B. Sukkah 2a).

³³ The Talmud has a beautiful term for those aspects of morality which are not susceptible of legal definition:

והיה ביום הנחילי אתכם את אשר חנני³⁸ הבורא.
 אנחילכם הנאמנות אשר בה הקני הבורא את החיל
 הזה. כי במקלי עברתי להרויח לחם התמיד ונסכו.
 והנה ברכני ה' עד כה. והנאמנות הכניסני במקום
 שלא הכניסוני קרובי. וירשתי מה שלא הורישוני
 אבותי. והמשילני על גדולים וטובים ממני. והצלחתי
 והועלתי לי ולזולתי: לכן הזהרו בו אפילו במה
 שלא הזהירה התורה אשר תדרוש שלומו. עמדו³⁹
 בדבוריכם. אל יכבד בעיניכם שטר ועדים וקנין
 על הבטחת הדבר גלוי ונסתר. בטלו ומאנו במודעי
 מרמות ומזמות ודקדוקים ועמוקים ועקשיות ותושיות
 ודתות תחתיות. הוי לבונה ביתו עליהם! כי בחצי
 ימיו יעזבנו ובאחריתו יהיה נבל: תחיו⁴⁰ בתמות
 ובתמימות ובנקיות. אל תגעו בשל זולתכם דבר קטן
 וגדול. ואל תטעמו מאומה ממה שאינה שלכם ברור
 ומוחזק. ברחו מן הספקות והעמידום בחזקת

³⁸ S הנחילני.

³⁹ B adds קיים.

⁴⁰ B תחיו.

they are described as "matters given over to man's heart"
 (Cf. e. g. T. B. Baba Mezi'a 58b.).

³⁴ Jer. 17.11. The terms used by the author in explanation refer literally to the commodities about which the duty of tithing is doubtful or certain.

them as the property of others. Remember that the tasting of the doubtful leads to indifference as to the certain; the little to the great, the inadvertent to the designed, till one becomes a hardened cheat, liar, thief and bandit, from whom men turn hastily away.³⁵ "The buyer from him will not rejoice, nor the seller mourn."³⁶ He shall be ashamed in his life and confounded in his death. All this have I seen and laid it to my heart. "He that conceives chaff shall bring forth stubble," but "he that sows according to righteousness shall reap according to mercy."³⁷ Let your moral life be your pride of lineage, and your loyalty to truth your sufficient wealth, for there is no pedigree noble³⁸ as virtue, no heritage equal to honor.

Bring near those who are far off, bow to the lowly, and show the light of your countenance to the downcast. Be pitiful to the poor and the sorrow-stricken. See to it that they share your joys! Help them in your feasts, according to the good hand of the Lord upon you. But beware lest they be put to the blush by reason of your gifts. Never cease to do good to all whom it is in your power to serve, and be on your guard against working ill to any man whatsoever.

Contemn idleness and loath ease, for these corrupt the body, and lead to all manner of penury

³⁵ Or "and bandit. Turn ye hastily away from such a one."

³⁶ Ezek. 7.12.

³⁷ Isa. 33.11; Hos. 10.12. The quotations are

זולתכם: דעו כי טעימת⁴¹ הדמאי גורמת ליגע מן הודאי. והמעט להרבה והנסתר לנגלה. עד שיוחזק לעקש כפרן גנב וגזלן יברחו⁴² מפניו. הקונה ממנו אל ישמח והמוכר אל יתאבל. יבוש בחייו ויכלם במותו. כל זה ראיתי ונתון אל לבי מי שיהר חשש ילד⁴³ קש והזורע לצדקה קוצר לפי חסד: התיחסו במוסרכם והסתפקו בנאמנותכם⁴⁴. כי אין יחס כמוסר ואין ירושה כנאמנות:

קרבו הרחוקים. השחו⁴⁵ לקטנים. האירו פניכם לשפלים. רחמו על האביונים והעלובים. שמחום בשמחתכם והפקידום⁴⁶ בחגיכם כיד ה' הטובה עליכם. והזהרו שלא יבושו ויחורו פניהם בסבת מתנותיכם. ואל תחדלו להטיב לכל אשר תוכלו והזהרו מהרע⁴⁷ למי שיהיה:

מאסו הבטלה וגעלו השלוה. כי הם סבות להשחתת הגוף. ולמחסור ולשעמום. ולפטפוט.

⁴¹ B נגיעת. ⁴² S ברחו.

⁴³ B תלד and תהר. ⁴⁴ B באמנותכם. ⁴⁵ B השחר.

⁴⁶ B ותפקידום. ⁴⁷ S omits מהרע.

slightly modified by the author to suit the structure of his sentence.

³⁸ Cf. the quotations in Ben Jehuda's *Millon*, 2025 a.

and perversity, in pocket and in conversation. They are the ladder to Satan and his servitors.³⁹ Such is the fruit of pernicious sloth, whereas "in all labour there is profit".⁴⁰

Make not your souls abominable by dissension, which wastes body and soul and substance. And what else remains? I have seen the white become black, the high of station brought low, families smitten sore, princes humiliated from their position, great cities ruined, assemblies dispersed, the pious destroyed, men of faith like to perish, and the honorable held in light esteem,—all because of contention. Prophets have prophesied, sages have spoken wise words, philosophers have probed, all have dilated on the evils of faction without exhausting the subject.⁴¹ Therefore hate dissension and flee from it; keep aloof from its lovers, its supporters, its admirers. If your own flesh and blood be among the lovers of strife, make yourselves as strangers unto them—ignore your kinship, lest ye be consumed in all their sin.⁴² Glory in forbearance, for that is real strength and true victory. If ye seek

³⁹ See *J.E.*, xi, 70b. ⁴⁰ Prov. 14.23.

⁴¹ The evils of contention and faction are a fertile theme of Jewish moralists of all epochs. Our author writes with a heat patently due to personal experience. If the author be indeed Maimonides, his denunciation is prophetic of what occurred after his death, and in connection with his philosophical writings. But the ascription of the Testament to Maimonides is highly improbable. See above p. 101.

⁴² The allusion is to the story of Korah, Num. 16.

ולעקשות פה. ולזות שפתים. וסולם לשטן ולעובדיו.
והיא היא העצלה המנולה⁴⁸ ובכל עצב יהיה
מותר:

אל תשקצו את נפשותיכם במחלוקת המכלה
הגוף והנפש והממון. ומה נשאר עוד? ראיתי
לבנים הושחרו⁴⁹. ופחות נפחתו. ומשפחות נספחו.
ושרים הוסרו מגדולתם. ועיירות גדולות נתערערו.
וקיבוצים נפרדו. וחסידים נפסדו. ואנשי אמונה
אבדו. ונכבדים נקלו ונתבזו. בסבת⁵⁰ המחלוקת:
נביאים נבאו. וחכמים חכמו. ופילוסופים חיפשו.
ויספו לספר רעת המחלוקת. ולא הגיעו לתכליתה:
לכן שנאו אותה ונוסו מפניה! והתרחקו מכל
אוהביה וגואליה ורעיה⁵¹: וגם אל כל שאר בשרכם
אוהב מדנים התנכרו⁵². ורחקו קרבתם פן תספו
בכל חטאתם⁵³. התפארו בסבל כי הוא הגבורה
הישרה והנצחון האמיתי. כי בבקשכם הנקמה שמא

⁴⁸ B המנונה.

⁴⁹ S השחירו.

⁵⁰ B מחמת.

⁵¹ The MSS. have masc. terminations throughout this sentence.

⁵² B תתנכרו ממנו.

⁵³ B חטאתיך.

revenge, p̄chance ye will not attain it, and your heart will be sick with hope deferred;⁴³ and ye may add shame to your disgrace, like one who rolleth a stone which returns unto himself.⁴⁴ And if ye do attain the sought-for revenge, behold ye have sinned against the Lord! For, realize what the result must be to *yourselves*! Hatred, a vindictive heart, confusion of mind, sleeplessness, interruption of your work, the exposure of your faults and failings, degeneration in look and speech, destruction of the soul, a devouring jealousy, disturbance of family peace, and in the end remorse!

Therefore, recognize the worth of forbearance. Sanctify yourselves and be ye holy in the eyes of your enemies. They will relent of their animosity, and your soul will be great in their eyes. They will repent and will better their heart, if they be indeed men of heart. If they are hopelessly base, they will be pained that ye are not as despicable as themselves, in that ye do not as they do, and ye will reign over them with the crown of virtue. Behave, then, with humility, for it is the ladder to the topmost heights;⁴⁵ if ye possess that quality, forbearance itself will not be necessary. There is no ornament so comely as meekness. The Master of the Prophets Moses was not so distinguished in Scripture for any of his qualities as for his virtue of humility.⁴⁶ Keep

⁴³ Prov. 13.12.

⁴⁴ Prov. 26.27.

⁴⁵ Or: "to the highest virtues."

⁴⁶ Num. 12.3.

לא תשיגוה ותחלו לבבכם בתוחלת ממושכה. ושם
 תוסיפו על בשתכם חרפה.⁵⁴ כי גולל⁵⁵ אבן אליו
 תשוב. ואם תשיגוה הנה חטאתם לה! ודעו את
 אשר תמצא אתכם. שנאה. לב נוקם. בלבול השכל.
 טרוד שינה. ביטול⁵⁶ פעולה. גילוי מומים. וג"כ⁵⁷
 יולידוהו שינוי פנים והלחשים. אבדן הנפש. קנאה
 אוכלת. עכירות פמליא.⁵⁸ חרטה באחרית:
 לכן תכירו מעלת הסבל.⁵⁹ והתקדשתם והייתם
 קדושים בעיני אויביכם. ויתחרטו מזיקיכם ותגדל
 נפשכם בעיניהם. וישבו ויטיבו לבם⁶⁰ אם הם אנשי
 לבב. ואם הם אנשי בליעל יכאבו ויצר להם על אשר
 לא תתבזו עמהם. לעשות כמוהם. ותמלכו עליהם
 בכתר המוסר: תתנהגו בענוה. כי הוא סולם לעלות
 המעלות⁶¹ הרמות. ועמה לא תצטרכו לסבל: דעו
 כי אין עדי כענוה. הנה⁶² רבן של נביאים לא נתיחס
 על כל טוב⁶³ מדותיו כמו על הענוה: שמרו מחסום

⁵⁴ B omits. ⁵⁵ B כגולל.

⁵⁶ S בלבול. ⁵⁷ B אין.

⁵⁸ S adds לומר לאחרים חוטא ומחטיא.

⁵⁹ B השכל.

⁶⁰ B להם.

⁶¹ B במעלות.

⁶² B משה הנקרא.

⁶³ S omits.

a curb on your mouth,⁴⁷ a bridle on your tongue. God bestowed the faculty of speech on man, because He loved man above all other creatures; a faculty desirable for understanding and lauding God and declaring His wonders; a gift fitted to help man meditate in His Law, learning and teaching, an instrument by which man might promote peace among human kind. It would be ungrateful to turn good into evil, to utter indecent or lying words and to slander—this is indeed an iniquity to be punished by the Judge!⁴⁸

But make matter subject to mind, the body to the soul, for this subjection is your freedom, here and hereafter! Therefore, as to the body, "further not its evil device,"⁴⁹ for to minister to its cravings is to increase its demands, until it⁵⁰ yearns for the unattainable, and in the end the divine element perishes with it. But if the spirit⁵¹ rule, and the body is dominated and humbled, man will seek nothing beyond the necessary; he will be satisfied with the little and will disdain superfluities; he will be contented in life and comforted in death!

Eat, then, that ye may live, and lay a ban on excess. Do not imagine that abundance of food and drink strengthens the body and expands the mind as though you were dealing with a sack which is filled by what is put therein. The

⁴⁷ Ps. 39.1.

⁴⁸ Job 31.11.

⁴⁹ Ps. 140.9.

⁵⁰ Perhaps render "*he* yearns", and refer the pronouns to the man.

⁵¹ Or: "mind".

לפיכם ורסן ללשונכם. דעו כי מעלת הדבר חנו
האל באדם באהבתו אותו על כל הברואים. נחמד
להשכיל. וטוב להודות לה' ולרוממו ולספר
נפלאותיו. ולהגות בתורה וללמוד וללמד. ולהטיל
שלום בין אדם לחבירו.⁶⁵ לכן לא יתכן להמיר
טוב ברע. ולדבר נבלה ושקר ורכילות.⁶⁶ כי הוא
עון פלילי:

ושעבדו החומר לשכל. כלומר הגוף לנפש. כי
שעבודו הוא חירותכם בזה ובבא. לכן זממו אל
תפיקו. כי בהפיק⁶⁷ מאוייו יוסיף לבקש⁶⁸ ולא ישבע
עד שישתוקק למה שלא ישיג, ויאבד עמו חלק
האלהי⁶⁹: ואם ימשול השכל וישתעבד הגוף ויכנע.
לא יבקש רק הצריך⁷⁰. וישבע מן המעט ויקוץ
המותר. וינעם בחיים ויתנחם במות:

אכלו כדי שתחיו והיותר תחרימו. ואל תאמינו
שרוב המאכל והמשתה יגדיל הגוף וירבה השכל.
כשק המתמלא מן המושם לתוכו. כי הוא ההפך.

⁶⁴ S לו. ⁶⁵ S omits the previous 8 words.

⁶⁶ B adds ודברי הבאי. ⁶⁷ S כהפיק.

⁶⁸ S לבקשו.

⁶⁹ S אלהי.

⁷⁰ B יכנע מאוייו יבקש רק מה שצריך.

contrary is true. By taking the little food which is easily digested by the natural heat, a man's vigor and health increase, his mind becomes clear and calm. But if he eat more than enough, overtaxing his digestion, his food "is a vile thing, it shall not be accepted."⁵² His body is emaciated, his intellect dulled, his purse emptied. Over-eating is, in fact, the cause of many maladies. Work before ye eat, rest after ye have eaten. Feed not ravenously, like people afflicted with bulimy;⁵³ fill not your mouths gulp after gulp without breathing space.

Hate injurious viands as you would hate a foe who seeks to slay you. Eat not in the public ways, do not incessantly nibble like mice, take your meals at fixed hours in your homes.⁵⁴ Avoid frequent feastings with young men. The breeding of a man, whether for good or ill, is discerned by his manner at a public banquet. Many a time have I returned to my house hungry and thirsty, because I was aghast at the shame of some of the other guests. Beware of wine, which destroys the strong and degrades the honored. How excellent in my eyes is the ordinance of Jonadab unto his children,⁵⁵ yet will I not lay

⁵² Lev. 19.7.

⁵³ A medical term (Yoma, viii, 6) derived from the Greek. It denotes excessive appetite.

⁵⁴ T. B. *Ḳiddushin* 40b. Against dining out see T. B. *Pesahim* 49a.

⁵⁵ Jer. 35.6. The sons of Jonadab were commanded by their father to abstain from wine. This sentiment of our author is opposed to that of Maimonides, see *Eight Chapters*.

באכול מעט יש כח באצטומכא לקבלו. ובחום הטבעי לעכלו.⁷¹ אז יגדל ויבריא לסובלו ודעתו תתישב:⁷² ואם יאכל יותר מדאי האצטומכא לא יקבלנו. והחום הטבעי לא יעכלנו. נכחו יצא. פגול הוא לא ירצה. גופו ירזה. ושכלו יתבזה. וכיסו יתרוקן: הזהרו שלא תאכלו עד אשר תעכלו. כי הוא הפסד הגוף והכיס. כי הוא סבת רוב התחלואים: ועמלו טרם שתאכלו. ותנוחו אחר שתאכלו.⁷³ אל תאכלו בבהלה כבעלי בולמוס. אל תמלאו פיכם, הלוגמא לא תשיג⁷⁴ חברתה:

שנאו המאכלים המזיקים. כאשר ישנא איש את שונאו המבקש⁷⁵ להמיתו: אל תאכלו בדרכים ואל תאכלו תמיד⁷⁶ כעכברים. כי אם לשעות הקבועות ובבתיכם. והמנעו מהתמיד סעודות עם הבחורים: דעו כי בסעודות הקבוצים יודע תרבות האדם אם טוב ואם רע. והרבה פעמים חזרתי רעב וצמא בביתי מיראתי. בראותי חרפת זולתי: הזהרו מן היין המשחית עצומים. ומבזה הנכבדים. ומה טוב בעיני צוואת יהונדב לבניו. אמנם לא אצונו. כי

⁷¹ B לסובלו. ⁷² B תישב. ⁷³ B omits clause.

⁷⁴ S בלוגמא כי חשיג. ⁷⁵ S רעהו השונאו ומבקש.

⁷⁶ S omits.

the same command on you; for I have not accustomed you to complete abstinence from wine from your earliest years. But break the strength of the wine with water, and drink it as food not as a pastime.⁵⁶ Not without purpose was the shame of Noah written;⁵⁷ the record was preserved to point a moral.

Expenditure is divisible into four categories: Profit, Loss, Aversion, Honor. *Profit*, is the expenditure on the bestowal of loving-kindness, the interest of which ye enjoy while the capital remains.⁵⁸ *Loss*, is expenditure on gambling, by which a man loses his money, his dignity, his time. If he win he weaves a spider's web; it is a trespass, certainly he is guilty!⁵⁹ *Aversion*, is the designation of expenditure on food. *Honor*, is the expenditure on wearing apparel, on which one should spend what he can afford.⁶⁰ But eat less than your means allow, enough to keep you alive; loathe gambling, keep aloof from gamblers. Stretch your means beyond their capacity to sow in charity, and reap according to mercy!⁶¹

Enjoy life in the society of your friends and the wife of your young manhood.⁶² Remember the warnings of Scripture against unchastity. "She hath cast down many wounded, yea a

⁵⁶ Lit: "luxury"; mere enjoyment.

⁵⁷ Gen. 9.21.

⁵⁸ Mishnah Peah 1.1.

⁵⁹ Isa. 59.5; Lev. 5.19.

⁶⁰ T. B. Hullin 84b.

⁶¹ Hosea 10.12.

לא התנהגתי אתכם מתחלת בריאתכם. אך שברו
 כחו במים ושתוהו דרך מזון ולא דרך⁷⁷ תענוג: ראו⁷⁸
 כי לא לחנם נכתב גנות נח הצדיק. כי אם ליקח
 מוסר:

דעו כי ההוצאה מתחלקת לארבעה חלקים,
 ריוח, הפסד. מאוס. כבוד: ריוח, הוא גמילות
 חסדים שתאכלו הריוח והקרן קיימת: הפסד, הוא
 השחוק שמפסיד בו אדם מעותיו וכבודו. ומבטל
 ימיו. ואם ירויח קורי עכביש יארוג. ואשם הוא.
 אשם אשם! מאוס, הוא מה שנאכל: כבוד, הוא
 שמלתו לעורו. לכן לבשו כפי השגתכם. אכלו
 פחות מהשגתכם רק כדי מחייתכם. מאסו השחוק
 והתרחקו מן השוחקים. זרעו לצדקה יותר מכדי
 השגתכם. וקצרו לפי חסד!

ראו חיים עם חברתכם ואשת נעוריהם. ואל
 תגעו בשל זולתכם. כי רבים חללים הפילה

⁷⁷ B על דרך.

⁷⁸ B דעו.

⁶² This combination of the society of friends and the love of wife, as conditions of a happy life, is directly derived from Maimonides, *Guide*, iii, ch. 49.

mighty host are her slain."⁶³ Imagine that ye had been in Noah's ark, and be comforted. Never excite desire, and when in the course of nature it comes upon you, satisfy it in the manner ordained by moral rule, to raise up offspring, and perpetuate the human race. Though it is not meet that ye should be dominated by your wives or reveal to them secrets placed in your keeping,⁶⁴ you must honor your wives, for they are your honor. "All glorious is the King's daughter within the palace."⁶⁵ Serve those who love you, and those near unto you, with your person and your substance, according to the good hand of the Lord upon you. But take heed lest ye serve them with your soul, for that is the divine portion!⁶⁶

⁶³ Prov. 7.26.

⁶⁴ Lit.: "the mysteries of your heart". Cf. Micah 7.8.

⁶⁵ Ps. 45.14, often used by moralists to typify the home as woman's sphere.

⁶⁶ A fine caution, finely expressed. Ardent devotion to the cause of one's family and friends may tempt one to sacrifice ideals. Cf. the Sifra on Levit. 19. 3; T. B. Baba Mezi'a 32a. Closely parallel to some of the sentiments in the latter sections of this Testament, are the views of Maimonides as expressed in the *Guide*, chs. 8, 38, 48, of Part III, and in the passages cited there by Maim. in cross-reference to his other works.

ועצומים כל הרוגיה. חשבו כאשר הייתם בתבת
נח ותתנחמו. ואף בשלכם בסדר ובמשפט.⁷⁹
להעמיד זרע ולהתמיד הבריאות: הנה האש היושב
עליו יכזה. והמשכיל יתחמם נגדו ויגע בו לעת
הצורך. ויקבל ממנו תועלת. הניחו לרצון שירדפכם
ואתם לא תרדפוהו: כבדו את נשיכם כי הם
כבודכם. אל תרפו מהם מוסר ולא תמשילון עליכם.
כבודן פנימה. במעט ראותם ימעט הזיקם. אל תגלו
להם מסתורי לבכם: עבדו אוהביכם וקרוביכם
בגופכם ומאודכם. כיד ה' הטובה עליכם. רק
השמרו מאד פן תעבדון בנפשכם כי הוא חלק
אלהי!

⁷⁹ B ומשפט.

קצור ההנהגה אשר תקן הר' ר' אשר

EXTRACTS FROM THE "RULE"
DRAWN UP BY R. ASHER

VI

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Asher son of Yehiel (known as the "Rosh" from the initials of the words Rabbenu Asher) was born in Germany c. 1250; he migrated to Spain, where he died in 1327. The work on which his fame rests is his compendium of the halakic parts of the Talmud (see *J.E.*, ii, 182). But he was author of much else, including the "Rule" or "Rules", from which some extracts are printed in this volume. Sometimes the "Rule" is described as "*Paths of Life*" (cf. Zunz, *Zur Geschichte und Literatur*, Berlin, 1845, p. 128). It is also known as "Rule for Health of the Soul" (MS. Ha. cited below).

The Rule differs in extent in various texts. The fullest form consists of two parts with distinct numberings. Part I contains 23 short paragraphs, the first of which enjoins the payment of a tithe of all profits. See the full statement on this subject in Judah ben Asher's Testament (p. 192 below). Part II consists of 131 or 132 paragraphs, mostly short.

Apart from the question of the 23 paragraphs of Part I (which are sometimes omitted, sometimes transposed to the end of Part II), the Rule as contained in Part II is not a unity. Thus §§ 1 to 24 are in the third person; §§ 25 to 46 are in alphabetical sequence; §§ 47 to end (like the alphabetical section) are in the second person. The Aleppo edition of 1875 contains only 52 paragraphs. The interesting MS. now at Jew's College (Cat. Hirschfeld, No.

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אשר בן יחיאד (הנודע בשם רא"ש-ראשי תיבות של רבינו אשר) נולד באשכנז בערך שנת ו' לאלף הששי; גלה לספרד ונפטר שם בשנת פ"ח. חבורו היותר מפורסם הוא קצור ההלכות על התלמוד הנודע בשם פסקי הרא"ש (עיין באנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שני, דף קפ"ב). אבל הוא חבר גם ספרים אחרים, ביניהם הנהגה או הנהגות אשר קצור ממנה נדפס בכרך שלפנינו. יש אשר הנהגה נקראת ארחות חיים (ראה צונץ, צור געשיכטע אונד ליטע-ראטור, ברלין תר"ה, דף קכ"ח), ונודעת היא גם בשם הנהגה לבריאות הנפש (כ"י האלבערשטאם המובא להלן).

ההנהגה שונה במדתה בנוסחאות שונים. בתכנה המלא יש לה שני חלקים, וכל חלק מסתעף לסעיפים מיוחדים. החלק הראשון מכיל כ"ג סעיפים קצרים, והראשון מהם מזהיר על הפרשת מעשר מכל מיני רוח. הענין הזה נידון באריכות בצואת יהודה בן אשר (להלן דף 192). החלק השני הוא בן קל"א או קל"ב סעיפים, רובם קצרים.

מלבד השאלה ע"ד כ"ג הסעיפים של החלק הראשון (אשר יש שהם נשמטים לגמרי, ויש שהם נדחים לסוף החלק השני), ההנהגה כפי שהיא מופיעה בחלק השני איננה חטיבה שלמה בפני עצמה. כן הסעיפים א'-כ"ד הם בלשון נסתר; כ"ה-מ"ו ערוכים בסדר אלף בית; מ"ז עד גמירא (כמו החלק האלפביתי) הם בלשון נוכח. המהדורה של אחלב תרל"ה מכילה רק נ"ב סעיפים. כ"י חשוב הנמצא כעת בבית מדרש הרבנים בלונדון

¹ For title, and plan of citation see p. 119.

247, 5, here called Hb.) contains, with other matter, most of the negative precepts of the Rule. But they are arranged in an order which suggests that the copyist of one or the other version read a double-columned page vertically instead of horizontally.

It is not specifically stated that the Rule is a Testament. But it is so described by Zunz, Güdemann (*Quellenschriften*, Berlin 1891, p. 22), and Bäck (in Winter u. Wuensche, *Die Jüdische Litteratur*, Trier, 1896, iii, 636).

The variations in order indicated above, justify the action of Zunz, who extracted sentences and arranged them in his own order. The same plan has been adopted here. Zunz's selection has been followed, though not exactly.

The Hebrew editions represent two types of text: one is contained in the Venice edition of 1578 and the Mantua edition of 1623 (here named A and L); the other is contained in the Venice edition of 1616 and the Frankfort edition of 1717 (here named B and D). In the Metz edition of 1767 the work is arranged into seven parts for daily reading, the whole Rule would thus be read once a week. The basis of the text used in the present volume is A, but the other editions have been consulted, and use has been made of the MS. Hb. as well as of Ha., which is bound in the same codex (§ 10).

These are the things to which thou must give heed, if thou wouldst depart from the snares of death, and bask in the light of life!

Be not prone to enter into quarrels; beware of oppressing fellow-men whether in money or word. Never feel envy or hate. Keep far from

(רשימת הירשפעלד, נומר 5, 247, מכונה פה Hb) מכיל יחד עם כתבים אחרים רוב המצוות השלידיות של ההנהגה, אבל הן מסודרות בסדר כזה הנותן לנו טעם להחליט שהמעתיק של הנוסח האחד או השני קרא עמוד בעד שתי צלעות לאורך ולא לרוחב.

לא נאמר בפירוש שההנהגה היא צואה, אבל צונץ, גידעמאן (קוועללענשריפטען, ברלין תרנ"א, דף כ"ב), ובעק (בספרם של ווינטער ווינשע, דיא אידישע ליטעראטור, טריער תרנ"ו, כרך שלישי, דף תרל"ו) מכנים אותה כך.

השינוים בסדר הנוכרים למעלה מצדיקים את מעשהו של צונץ אשר לקט פסוקים ויסדר אותם בסדר המיוחד לו. בדרך זה הלכתי גם אני: החזקתי בסדר הלקוט של צונץ, אף כי לא בדיוק גמור.

המהדורות העבריות מציגות שני מיני נוסח: האחד נמצא בהוצאת ויניציה של"ח ובהוצאת מנטובה שפ"ג (נקראות פה A, L), השני נמצא בהוצאת ויניציה שע"ו ובהוצאת פרנקפורט תע"ז (נקראות פה D, B). במהדורת מעץ תקכ"ז ההנהגה היא מסודרת בשבעה חלקים לקריאת יום יום, באופן שכל ההנהגה נקראת פעם אחת בשבוע. הנוסח בכרך שלפנינו נוסד על A, אבל חזרתי גם על המהדורות האחרות, והשתמשתי בכ"י Hb וגם בכ"י Ha הכרוך באותו קודקס (10 §).

ואלה הדברים שיזהר האדם בהם לסור ממוקשי מות ולאור באור החיים:
אל תצא לריב מהר. ותזהר מאונאת הבריות.
הן בממון הן בדברים. ומקנאתם ומשנאתם:

oaths and the iniquity of vows¹, from laughter² and anger which confuse alike the spirit and the mind. Use not the name of God for vain purposes or in foul places. Rely not on the broken reed of human support, make not gold thy hope³, for therein lies the first step to idolatry. Rather distribute thy money where the Lord so wills, He can make good thy deficit! 'Tis a fine and right course to think little of thy virtues and much of thy vices; to magnify the mercies of Him who made thee and provideth thy sustenance in due season. Act not aright from hope of reward, nor avoid the wrong from fear of punishment; but serve from love. Esteem the utterance of thy money as of less import than the utterance of thy words; issue no base coin from thy lips, weigh thy words in the balance of thy judgment. Hide behind the walls of thy heart what is said in thy presence, even though thou be not pledged to confidence. If thou hearest the same report from another, say not: "I have heard it already!"

Habituate thyself to wake at dawn, and to leave thy couch at the song of the birds^{3a}. Rise not as a sluggard, but with eagerness to serve thy Maker! Be not a drunkard or a glutton, lest thou forget thy Creator and fall into sin. Look

¹ Cf. T. B. Nedarim 22a.

² So Zunz renders. The author means that lack of seriousness which reveals itself in frivolity and insincerity.

³ Zunz: "*Lebenshoffnung*." Cf. Job 31.24.

^{3a} Eccles. 12.4.

ותתרחק מן השבועות ומעון² הנדרים. מן השחוק
ומן הכעס. כי מבלבל רוחו ודעתו של אדם: ואל
תוציא שם שמים לבטלה. ולא במקום מטונף: הסר
ממך משענת הקנה הרצוץ משענת בני אדם. ואל
תשים זהב כסלך. כי זאת תחלת עבודת אלילים.
ופזר ממנוך באשר הוא רצונו. כי בידו למלאות
חסרונך: טוב וישר לך להמעִיט בעִיניך פעולותיך
הטובות. ולהגדיל פשעיך. ולהרבות חסדי בוראך
ויוצרך מבטן ונותן אכלך בעתו. ואל תהיה משמש
על מנת לקבל פרס בעשותך מצותיו. ואל תרחק
מן העבירות מפני העונש. רק עבוד מאהבה: ותקל
בעִיניך הוצאת ממנוך מהוצאת דבריך. ופיך אל
ימהר להוציא דבר רע עד אשר תשקלהו במאזני
שכלך: גם על הדברים אשר ידברו לפניך שלא על
דרך סוד טומנם בקירות לבך. גם אם תשמענו
מאחר אל תאמר כבר שמעתי זה:³

ותרגיל את עצמך להקיץ בהנץ החמה. ולקול
הצפור קום ממטתך: אל תקום כאיש עצל. כי אם
בזריזות כדי לעבוד ליוצרך: אל תהי בסובאי
יין בזוללי בשר פן תשכח בוראך ותחטא: אל תשים

² So A. Some other texts read רמן.

³ §§ 8, 23, 24, 28, 29, 34, 52, 30, 41.

⁴ So Hb. D omits with A and C. B reads ומחליא.

not at him who is above thee in riches but at him who is below; turn thine eyes to thy superior, not to thy inferior, in the service and fear of God. Rejoice when thou sufferest reproof, hear counsel and receive instruction⁴. Exalt not thyself over thy fellow creatures, but be humble of spirit, and like the dust on which all tread. Speak not insolence with a haughty neck⁵, lifting high thy forehead, thereby rejecting the fear of Heaven. Never do in private what thou wouldst be ashamed to do in public, and say not: "Who will see me?"

Raise not thine hand against thy neighbor. Circulate no false reports; slander no man. When men address thee in unseemly fashion, be not too apt with insolent retort. Let no man hear thee in the street, bellow not like a beast, but let thy voice be soft. Put not thy fellow man to the blush in public. The first of all fences against wronging thy fellow man is the avoidance of covetousness. Never be weary of making friends, consider a single enemy as one too many. If thou hast a faithful friend, hold fast to him; let him not go, for he is a precious possession. But entice not friendship by adulation and hypocrisy,⁶ and speak not with a double heart! Retain not thine anger against a fellow-man for a

⁴ Prov. 19.20.

⁵ Ps. 75.6.

⁶ Zunz: "aber Schmeichelei und Falschheit halte fern von ihm."

עיניך למי שעלה לעושר יותר ממך. אלא למי שתחתך: אל תבט למי שהוא קטן ממך בעבודה וביראה אלא לגדול ממך: שמח בשמעך תוכחת. ושמע עצה וקבל מוסר: אל תתנאה על הבריות. ותהיה שפל רוח וכעפר שהכל דשים בו: אל תדבר בצוואר עתק. ואל תרים⁵ מצח שלא לקבל עליך יראת שמים: אל תעשה בסתר מה שתתבייש בגלוי. ואל תאמר מי יראני?⁶

אל תרים ירך על חבירך. אל תוציא דבה ולשון הרע על שום בריה: אל תהי נבהל להשיב בעזות למי שאמר דברים אשר לא טובים: אל תשמיע בחוץ קולך. ואל תהי צווח כבהמה. ודברייך יהיו בנחת: אל תלבין פני חבירך ברבים: וראש כל הגדרים שישמור האדם את עיניו מכל דבר שאינו שלו: אל תרף ירך מלבקש ריעים ואוהבים.⁷ ואל ימעט לפניך שונא אחד: אל תרף ירך לקנות לך חבר נאמן. ושמור אותו. ואל תאבדהו כי טוב: אל תפתה את חבירך בשפתי חלקות ובחניפות. ואל תדבר בלב ולב:⁸ אל תחזיק כעסך נגד חבירך

⁵ B. D תעין.

⁶ §§ 70, 48, 95, 59, 81, 45, 47, 66, 63, 109.

⁷ Hb ואוהבים. ⁸ D. לב. בלא.

single day, but humble thyself and ask forgiveness. Let not thy heart be high, saying: "I am the injured party, let him make the first overtures." But, every night before thou retirest to rest, forgive whoever has offended thee. If men curse or revile thee, answer not a word, be of the insulted, (not of the insulters)!⁷

Keep thy feet evenly in the track,⁸ holding thyself firmly in the middle path in the satisfaction of thy appetites. So, be neither accessible to all nor a recluse from all. In all thy moral characteristics seek the mean, turning neither to right nor left.⁹ Rejoice not overmuch, for remember that thy life is a breath; formed from the dust, thou wilt end with the worm! Be not offended at trifles, lest thou gather enemies without cause.¹⁰ Pry not into other men's secrets. Be not overbearing towards the men of thy city; yield to the wishes of others. Will that which God wills; rejoice in thy portion, be it little or much; pray continually to God that He incline thine heart unto His testimonies. Never show ingratitude, but do honor to everyone who opens a door for thee to earn the necessities of life.¹¹ Never utter a falsehood, but be faithful to all men, irrespective of creed. Be not slow to offer the greeting

⁷ T. B. Shabbat 88b.

⁸ Applying Prov. 4.26.

⁹ On the "Mean" as ethical standard, see Maimonides, *Eight Chapters*, ch. 4; *De'ot* i, 4.

¹⁰ Zunz: "du machst dir unnöthig Feinde."

¹¹ Zunz: "Bleibe dankbar jedem, der dir zu deinem Brote geholfen."

יום אחד. ותכנע לפניו לבקש ממנו מחילה. אל⁹
 יגבה לבך לאמר, יש לי עון ממנו. הוא יבא לבקש
 לי מחילה קודם: ותמחול בכל לילה קודם שתישן
 לכל מי שחטא לך בדברים: ואם יקללוך בני אדם
 או יחרפוך. אל תשיב להם מאומה. אלא תהי מן
 הנעלבים:¹⁰

פלס מעגל רגליך לישר עצמך בדרך בינוני
 במאכל ובמשתה. אל תהי הפקר ולא חדל אשים.¹¹
 ובכל מדותיך אל תט ימין ושמאל: אל תרבה
 לשמוח. וזכור כי רוח חייך. ואתה נוצר¹² מעפר
 ואחריתך רמה: אל תהי קפדן לדבר מועט נגד
 שום אדם. פן תלקט שונאים על חנם: אל תהי להוט
 לדעת הסתרים שבין אדם לחבירו: אל תהי סרבן
 אל אנשי עירך. ובטל רצונך מפני רצון אחרים:
 רצה כאשר ירצה יוצרך. שמח בחלקך אם מעט
 ואם הרבה. והתחנן לפניו תמיד להטות לבבך
 אל עדותיו: אל תהי כפוי טובה. וכבד כל מי שפתח
 לך פתח לבקש די ספוקך: אל תוציא מפיו דבר
 שקר וכזב. ותהיה נאמן¹³ לכל אדם. אל תתעצל

⁹ From here till end of sentence is derived from Hb.

¹⁰ §§ 82-86, 20, 90, 102, 103, 62, 11 (A), 22.

¹¹ Ha has been adopted.

¹² Hb נוצרת. ¹³ Hb אמיתי.

of peace to all, be they Jew or Gentile; and never give a fellow-man cause for resentment.

Show invariable hospitality to wayfarers; welcome them with a smiling face. When they take their leave, provide them with food for the journey, accompany them for a space¹², let them depart with a cheery farewell. Break not thy body by intemperance, thou mayest be betrayed into indecent speech and suffer thereafter remorse. Never be angry with thy wife; if thou put her off from thee with thy left hand, delay not to draw her to thee again with thy right hand!¹³

Be ever responsive to the call of charity.¹⁴ Never contribute less than a half shekel annually, and at one time. Give every month and every week the full amount that thou canst spare. On no day let there be lacking some small gift before prayer. Pay the "continual offering" every Friday. When thy means reach a tithable amount, set aside the tithe. Thus wilt thou possess an ever-ready store, at hand for all occasions of loving-kindness, whether to the living or the dead, whether to the poor or the rich.¹⁵

Enjoy nor food nor drink without benediction before and after, tendering thanks to Him who

¹² See e. g. Mishnah Soṭah 9.6.

¹³ T. B. Soṭah 47a.

¹⁴ Applying Deut. 16.20.

¹⁵ The family of Asher ben Yehiel—the author of this Testament—was distinguished for the popularization of the tithing practice in the early part of the fourteenth century. See Abrahams, *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages*, p. 320. Cf. p. 192, in present volume. The last clauses

להקדים שלום לכל אדם ואפילו לעכו"ם. ואל
תכעים לשום אדם:¹⁴

אל יהיו פניך זעומים נגד עוברים ושבים. וקבל
אותם בפנים מאירים: אל תשכח להעניק להם
צידה לדרך ולעשות לויה להם. ותנחמם בדברים:
אל תשבור גופך להשתכר מיין. פן תהיה מגונה
ותנבל את פיך ותתחרט: אל תכעס באשתך. ואם
רחקת אותה בשמאל, קרב אותה בימין בלא
איחור:¹⁵

צדק צדק תרדוף. ואל תחסר ממחצית השקל
בכל שנה בפעם אחת. ובכל חדש ובכל שבוע כפי
מסת ירך. ובכל יום לא תחסר מתנה מועטת לכל
הפחות קודם תפלה. ותפרע התמיד בכל יום
הששי. ואם הגיע למעשר תתן. ויהיה טרף בביתך
בכל אשר תמצא ירך לגמול. הן לחיים הן למתים.
הן לעניים הן לעשירים:¹⁶

מכל מאכל אשר תאכל, ומכל משקה אשר
תשתה, אל תהנה בלא ברכה תחלה וסוף. ותזהר

¹⁴ Another reading is לשום עכו"ם, §§ 43, 74, 107, 108, 120, 69, 129–131, 104.

¹⁵ §§ 57, 58, 122, 123.

¹⁶ §§ 68, 14 (A).

hath satisfied thy longing soul. Cover thy head when thou namest God.¹⁶ Let thine innermost being be stirred when thou speakest of Him; be not among those of whom the Scripture says: "With their mouth and with their lips they honour Me, but they have removed their heart far from me."¹⁷ Wash thy hands before prayer and meals. Sanctify thyself in all things; never behave with levity; let the fear of God be upon thee. Before meals, and before retiring to rest, regularly read the Torah, and derive from its pages topics for table-talk. Direct thy household in accordance with the Law, in all matters needing direction.

Pray not as a matter of rote, for prayer is the service of the heart.¹⁸ If thy child address thee, and speak not from his heart, art thou not angry? How then shalt thou, insignificant wite, act in presence of the King of the universe? Be not as a servant to whom hath been committed for his own good an important work and he hath spoilt it! How shall such a one stand before the King? How excellent would it be to ask pardon for praying "Pardon us"¹⁹ without sincerity! Relax not confession for thy sins mor-

in the paragraph may be differently rendered if we put a full stop at בביתך. The sense will then be that if a man gives a tithe, God provides sustenance for his household. The rest of the sentence will be an independent thought, calling for constant acts of charity and love.

¹⁶ T. B. Shabbat 56b.

¹⁷ Isa. 29.13.

¹⁸ T. B. Ta'anit 2a.

לברך את בוראך שהשביע נפש שוקקה: וכסה ראשך כשתזכור את ה'. ויהמו מעיך¹⁷ מדי דברך בו. ואל תהיה כאמור, בפיו ובשפתיו כבדוני ולבו רחוק ממני: נטול ידיך לתפלה ולאכילה. וקדש עצמך בכל דבריך. ואל תנהג עצמך בקלות ראש. ויהי מורא שמים עליך: קבע עתים לתורה קודם אכילה ושכיבה. ודברת בם על שולחנך. והזהרת בם אנשי ביתך להדריכם על פי התורה בכל הדברים הצריכים אזהרה¹⁸:

כוון בתפלתך. כי התפלה היא עבודה שבלב. ואם בנך ידבר לך ולא מלבו הלא יחר לך. ומה תעשה טפה סרוחה לפני מלכו של עולם? ולא תהיה כעבד שמסרו לו מלאכה נכבדה לטובתו וחבלה¹⁹. ואיך יעמוד לפני המלך? ומה טוב לבקש סליחה על אמרך סלח לנו בלא כוונה: וידוי על

¹⁷ This seems the true reading. Usually the text is מעיך. Ha has עיניך.

¹⁸ §§ 38, 22, 39, 40, 44.

¹⁹ In place of this and the previous words, Ha reads לטובה ומסרה משובשת וחבולה.

¹⁹ In the eighteen benedictions of the daily liturgy. Similarly with the rest of the sentences; they refer to passages in the prayers.

ning and evening, nor omit to remember Zion and Jerusalem with a broken heart and bitter tears. And when thou recitest the verse which bids thee love the Lord thy God,²⁰ speak as one ready to deliver up life and substance for His sanctification, thus fulfilling in thy person the words of the Singer: "For Thy sake are we killed every day."²¹ Yet have a whole-hearted confidence in Him, and believe in His special providence, for the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, and He regards all the ways of a man.²² Day and night let thy lips make mention of Him. When thou liest down luxuriate in His love, and in thy dream thou wilt find it. When thou awakest thou wilt delight in Him, and He will direct thy paths. So fulfil all thy virtuous acts in the spirit of humbly walking before Him. This is the service which He has chosen, this the service acceptable in His sight!

²⁰ Deut. 6.5. Cf. Sifre on the text.

²¹ Ps. 44.23.

²² II Chr. 16.9; Job 34.21

עונותיך ערב ובקר אל יחסר. וזכרון ציון וירושלם
 בשברון לב ובדאגה ובדמעה: והסכם באומרך
 את ה' אלהיך וגו' למסור גופך וממונך על קדושתו.
 ובזה תקיים בעצמך דברי המשורר. כי עליך
 הורגנו כל היום: ותבטח בה' בכל לבבך. ותאמין
 בהשגחתו פרטית. כי עיניו משוטטות בכל הארץ
 ועיניו על כל דרכי איש: יומם ולילה זכרו מפין
 אל ימוש. בשכבך תשגה באהבתו ובחלומך²⁰
 תמצאנה. והקיצות בו תשתעשע. והוא יישר
 אורחותיך: ותקיים בהצנע לכת²¹ מעשיך הטובים
 כי היא עבודת ה' הנבחרת והרצויה לפניו:²²

²⁰ So Ha. The usual reading is: ובקומך ובהלוכך.

²¹ So Ha. Usual reading: בהצנע לכלכל.

²² §§ 36, 31, 25, 26, 35, 23 (A).

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Kaspia (from kesef "silver") is the Hebrew equivalent of L'Argentière, a city of Languedoc, where Joseph (called also Bonafos) ibn Kaspi was born about the year 1280 (H. Gross, *Gallia Judaica*, Paris, 1897, pp. 67 seq.). He travelled much, and he and his children were separated. At the time when he wrote his Testament, in the autumn of 1332, he himself was in Valencia; he had a daughter in Perpignan; an elder son (Abba Mari to whom he dedicated his Commentary on Maimonides' *Guide*) at Barcelona; and a younger son (Solomon, to whom the Testament was addressed) at Tarascon. But though a wanderer; though at the age of fifty he describes himself as old; and though he is said to have suffered from the Pastoureaux persecution of 1320; Ibn Kaspi was not unhappy. He possessed adequate means, was everywhere respected, and, despite his lament as to the dearth of congenial friends, he wrote many works, of which a full list may be found in *J.E.*, iii, p. 600.

Most of his books had to wait long for publication. His Commentary on the *Guide* appeared in 1848, some others of his works followed, and then from 1903 onwards I. Last printed a long series of Ibn Kaspi's treatises, including his much discussed Metaphysics (Ha-Sod).

The Testament, called "*Book of Admonition*" (ספר המוסר) and also "*Guide to Knowledge*" (יורה דעה), was

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כספֿיא (ממלֿת, כספֿי) היא העתקה עברית של ארגֿנטיער, עיר בחבל לאנגעדוק בצרפת, אשר שם ראה יוסף (הידוע גם בשם טוב עדס) אבן כספי אור חיים בערך שנת מ' לאלף הששי (ה' גראס, Gallia Judaica, פריז תרנ"ז, דף ס"ז וכו'). אבן כספי נסע הרבה ויהי רחוק מביתו ומבניו. בשעה שכתב את צואתו, בסתיו של שנת צ"ב, הוא בעצמו היה בבלנסיה, בתו היתה בפרפיניאן, בנו בכורו (אבא מרי, אשר אליו הקדיש את פירושו ל"מורה נבוכים" של הרמב"ם) היה בברצלונא, ובנו הצעיר (שלמה, אשר אליו נשלחה הצואה הזאת) היה בטרסקון. אבל אף כי היה נע ונד ובשנת החמשים לחייו כבר התאמר לזקן, ואף כי לפי השמועה סבל מרדיפות הרועים בשנת פ', בכ"ז לא היה מזלו של אבן כספי כ"כ רע. כפי הנראה היה איש בעל אמצעים נאותים וחביב על הבריות בכל מקום שהוא, ולמרות תלונתו כי רעים נאמנים הם יקרי המציאות עלה בידו לחבר חבורים הרבה (רשימה מלאה מהם נמצאת באנציקלר פדיה היהודית האנגלית, כרך שלישי, דף ת"ר).

רוב ספריו עבר עליהם זמן רב ללא דפוס. פירושו אל ה"מורה" הופיע רק בשנת תר"ח, אחריו באו איזה מחבוריו האחרים, ומשנת תרס"ג ואילך הדפיס יצחק לאסט שורה ארוכה של מחברות אבן כספי, ביניהן "ס' הסוד" על מה שלמעלה מן הטבע, אשר עורר ויכוחים הרבה.

הצואה, המכונה "ספר המוסר" וגם "יורה דעה", נדפסה

printed in part by Benjacob in 1846, but the first full edition was that of E. Aschkenasi (in his *טעם וקנים*, Frankfurt a. M., 1854). A second edition appeared in Prag, 1857 (in E. Bondi's *Hebräische Chrestomathie*, ed. W. Pascheles). A third edition was that of I. Last (in *עשרה כלי כסף* vol. ii, p. 59, Pressburg, 1903).

For the present edition, the edds. of Aschkenasi (A) and Last (L) have been consulted, and the MS. of the London Beth Hamidrash (Cat. Neubauer No. 40 fol. 26b), and the Halberstam MS. now in the Jews' College, London (Cat. Hirschfeld, No. 279 fol. 23b) have been freshly collated. These MSS. are referred to in the critical notes as B. and H. respectively. Except that H. has no introduction and opens with Chapter i, it agrees generally with B., though it differs in detail.

The main theme of Ibn Kaspi's Testament, as of others of his works, is the vindication of philosophy. The well-known controversy as to the metaphysical writings of Maimonides was still keen, and later on Ibn Kaspi was assailed by advocates of the opposite view to his. In particular his Testament was attacked by J. Jabez, the fifteenth-century author of what Steinschneider rightly describes as an *Apology of Theology against Philosophy* (*אור החיים*, Ferrara 1554). In the ninth chapter of that work, Jabez uses strong terms, denouncing Ibn Kaspi as one who ridiculed the study of the Talmud. Jabez can hardly have had the full text of the Testament before him. For Ibn Kaspi was no bigot. He urges the claims of science, but he also eulogizes the Talmud. He agrees that the end of life is the performance of the Law, and the very incident which rouses the ire of Jabez shows Ibn Kaspi to have been himself a punctilious observer of rabbinic rules. What he really contended for was the

לקטועין ע"י בדיעקב בשנת תר"ו, אבל במלואה נדפסה ראשונה ע"י אליעזר אשכנזי (בספרו „טעם זקנים“, פרנקפורט על נהר מאין תר"ד). מהדורה שניה הופיעה בפראג בשנת תר"ז (בספר „העברעאישע כריסתומטיה“ של בונדי, הוצאת וואלף פאשעלעס). מהדורה שלישית היתה זו של יצחק לאסט (ב„עשרה כלי כסף“, חלק שני, דף נ"ט, פרעסבורג תרס"ג). למטרת ההוצאה שלפנינו השתמשתי במהדורות אשכנזי (A) ולאסט (L), ועברתי עוד הפעם על הכ"י של בית המדרש בלונדון (רשימת נייבויער, נומר 40, עמוד כ"ו:) וכת"י האל-ברשטאם הנמצא כעת בבית מדרש הרבנים בלונדון (רשימת הירשפעלד, נומר 279, עמוד כ"ג:). בהערותי בשולי הגליון נקרא הכ"י הראשון B והכ"י השני H. מלבד אשר H אין לו הקדמה והוא פותח בפרק א' הוא מתאים בכללו אל B, אף כי שונה הוא בפרטים.

הנושא הראשי של צואת אבן כספי, כמו של חבוריו האחרים, היא ההגנה על הפילוסופיה. המחלוקת הידועה ע"ד ספרי הרמב"ם העיוניים היתה עוד חדה ושנונה, וגם בזמן מאוחר התנפלו על אבן כספי כל אלה שהתנגדו לדעותיו. ביחוד נעשתה צואתו מטרה לחצי י. יעבץ שחי במאה החמש עשרה ויחבר מה ששטיינשניידר קורא בצדק התנצלות התיאולוגיה כנגד הפילוסופיה („אור החיים“, פירא ש"ד). בפרק התשיעי של הספר הזה מדבר יעבץ קשות כנגד אבן כספי וממית עליו אשם שעשה את למוד התלמוד לשחוק ולקלס. אי אפשר שנוסח הצואה במלואו היה לפני עיניו, כי הלא הצביעות לא היתה ממדותיו של אבן כספי. אמנם דורש הוא עיון חכמה, אבל הוא מהלל ומשבח גם את התלמוד. מסכים הוא שקיום המצוות הוא תכלית החיים, ואותו המאורע עצמו המעלה קצפו של יעבץ מוכיח שאבן כספי היה מדקדק מאד בשמירת דיני התלמוד. מה שהתעצם להוכיח היתה החובה

duty to seek a philosophical justification of religion, which he based on certain fundamental principles, themselves precepts of the Law. Like Jewish writers of the pre-Christian age, Ibn Kaspi claimed that Aristotle derived his ideas from Jewish sources. He also credited the medieval legend that Aristotle at the end of his life recanted those views which ran counter to the Hebrew Scriptures (Cf. *Mind*, July, 1888; *Monatsschrift*, xlv, 453).

Another ground of attack on Ibn Kaspi was, curiously enough, his lucidity. Kalonymos, the famous Italian poet, while holding Ibn Kaspi in high esteem, blamed him for writing so as to disturb the "simple faith" of the masses (See *Kalonymos' Sendschreiben an Joseph Kaspi*, ed. Perles, Munich, 1879, pp. 3 and 6). Finally Ibn Kaspi was denounced as one who accepted the Aristotelian doctrine of the eternity (as against the creation) of the world. But he does not seem to have differed on this point from the object of his worship—Maimonides, the "holy", the "perfect", the "light of the world", as he delights to call him.

It is worth noting that Jabez quotes an otherwise unknown Testament by a disciple of Solomon ben Adereth: who applies to the philosophers the following biblical passages: "Shall a man go to the coals and his feet not be burnt? Shall children eat sour fruit and their teeth not be set on edge " (Prov. 6.28 and Ez. 18.2.)

Ibn Kaspi had his detractors (cf. *J. E.* loc. cit.), but he also won many admirers. In 1372 Isaac Lattes spoke favorably of his commentaries on the Bible (see Neubauer, *Mediaeval Jewish Chronicles*, ii, 239). Moses Rieti, in the early part of the fifteenth century, places him in Paradise in the good company of the Ibn Tibbons and the authors

לבקש הצטדקות פילוסופית בעד הדת, ואותה בסס על עקרים יסודיים ידועים שכשהם לעצמם הם הם מצוות התורה. כמו סופרים יהודיים שחיו לפני התקופה הנוצרית טען אבן כספי שאריסטו קבל את דעותיו ממקורות יהודיים, ויאמין גם בהאגדה של ימי הביניים שבקץ ימי חייו התחרט אריסטו על דעותיו המתנגדות לכתבי הקדש (ראה את העתון Mind לירח יולי 1888; מאנאטסשריפט, כרך ארבעים וחמשה, דף תנ"ג).

יש גם טעם אחר, טעם נפלא חור, להתנפלות זו על אבן כספי, חזו הוא צהות לשונו ובהירות סגנונו. קלונימוס, המשורר האיטלקי המפורסם, אף כי הוקיר מאד את ערכו של אבן כספי, בכ"ו האשים אותו בעד נטיתו לכתוב בסגנון העלול לבטל את האמונה הפשוטה של ההמון (ראה קלונימוס, זענר שרייבען אן יוסף כספי, הוצאת פרלס, מינכען תרל"ט, דף ג' וגם ו'). לאחרונה הלשינו עליו על אבן כספי שהאמין בעקר אריסטו של נצחיות העולם (כנגד בריאת העולם של היהודים); אבל, כנראה, לא שנה בזה ממורו אשר העריץ, הרמב"ם ה"קדוש", ה"מושלם", "אור העולם", כמו שהוא מכנהו בחבה. נחוץ להעיר עוד שיעבץ מביא צואה בלתי נודעת מתלמיד של שלמה בן אדרת, הקורא על הפילוסופים את הכתובים האלה של כתבי הקדש: "אם יהלך איש על הגחלים ורגליו לא תכוונו?" (משלי ו' כ"ח); "אבות יאכלו בסר ושני הבנים תקחינה (יחזקאל י"ח ב')."

אבן כספי היו לו מגנים (ראה את האנציקלופדיה היהודית האנגלית, במקום הנזכר לעיל), אבל הוא רכש לו גם מכבדים ומעריצים רבים. בשנת קל"ב המליץ רבי יצחק לאטעס על פירושו לספרי הקדש (ראה נייבויער, סדר החכמים וקורות הימים, כרך שני, דף רל"ט). בתחלת המאה החמש עשרה מיהר לו משה ריאטי מקום בן עדן יחד עם יהודה ושמואל

of the Rokeah and the Book of the Pious. Gross well sums up the truth about him when he says (*Gallia Judaica*, p. 68); "En effet, ses ouvrages ne contiennent pas que de l'argent pur, on y trouve aussi des scories, mais, dans tout se révèle un esprit net, pénétrant, épris de vérité."

INTRODUCTION

Saith Joseph ibn Kaspi: All my days I have toiled to live in the society of the wise, but I have found no rest. Twenty years ago, I became an exile to a place reputed for learning. I dwelt in the uttermost part of the sea, I crossed to Egypt, where I visited the College of that renowned and perfect sage, the Guide.¹ I found there the fourth and fifth generations of his holy seed, all of them righteous, but none of them devoted to science. In all the Orient there were no scholars, and I applied to myself the text,² "Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help."

I returned to my country disappointed, after having spent five months in going and coming. Then I passed a considerable interval at home, studying philosophy, and the commentaries on the Pentateuch and the whole of the Bible. A day came when the spirit of the Lord moved me to search among the capitals of the West; so I travelled through Catalonia and Aragon, and at

¹ i. e. Maimonides, so called from the title of his book, *Guide of the Perplexed*.

² Isa. 39.1.

אבן תבון ומחברי ה"רוקח" ו"ספר החסידים". גראס חדר לתוך האמת באמרו עליו (Gallia Judaica, דף ס"ח): באמת חבוריו מלאים כסף טהור, אף כי נמצאת בהם גם פסולת; אבל בכלם מתגלה לב טהור, חוקר ודורש, ומשועבר אל האמת".

אמר יוסף אבן כספי:¹ כל ימי יגעתי להתגדל² בין החכמים ומנוחה לא מצאתי. זה לי עשרים שנה גליתי למקום תורה לפי הנשמע. שכנתי באחרית ים. ירדתי מצרים^{2a} בית מדרשו של הרב הגדול החכם השלם המורה. ומצאתי שם זרעו זרע קודש דור רביעי ובניהם חמישי. כלם צדיקים אבל בחכמות לא היו מתעסקים. וגם בכל המזרח³ לא היו שם חכמים. וקראתי על עצמי הוי היורדים מצרים לעזרה:

ואשוב אל ארצי בבשת פנים. וכל זמן עמידתי בהליכה ובחזרה היו חמשה חדשים: אחר כן שקדתי ימים רבים בארצי ובביתי⁴ בחכמות ובפרושי התורה והמקרא כולה: ויהי היום רוח ה' העירני לחפש בבירות⁵ ארץ המערב. ואסוב⁶ קטלוגיא

¹ H omits the introduction and begins with א פרק.

² L omits. ^{2a} B בארץ מצרים.

³ So B. L reads המורה or התורה suggesting the correction to המדינה. ⁴ L וביתי. ⁵ B Omits. ⁶ B ואשוב.

this moment³ I am living in the great city of Valencia. If the Quickener of the dead grant me life, I will again traverse the whole of Aragon and Spain. I will cross to Fez, for I have heard that it is a seat of learning. Wherever I may go, wealth and honor are with me, thanks be to God! Perchance once in my life-time I may happen upon a teacher or companion in my studies. Or the Lord may work a miracle for me and I may find a disciple after my mind, to whom I may bequeath my inmost thoughts and opinions,—weak and poor though they be. Therefore I have resolved, before departing to distant shores, to write this Admonition, and to despatch it to my younger son Solomon, who is settled in Tarascon. I hope that it may be a memorial constantly between his eyes, so that he may order his ways aright. Peradventure the spirit of God may carry me to a far-off land, or death may cut me off, and I and my son be found sinners.⁴ This Admonition may prove useful also for the instruction of many of the inhabitants of the land. Therefore I have called it: *A Guide to Knowledge*, and in the help of God may I find support (to accomplish my purpose).—

CHAPTER I

Solomon, my son! Know thou the God of thy father and serve Him. He will cause thee to ride in His “second chariot”⁵ and thine own conduct

³ Autumn of 1332.

⁴ The father because he failed to admonish, the son because of the father's neglect.

⁵ i. e. in the angelic rank.

וארגון והנני היום העיר הגדולה בלנציאה⁷. ואם
 יחיני מחיה המתים אסוב עוד כל ארגון וספרד
 ואעבור פאס. כי שמעתי שמה ישבו⁸ כסאות
 לחכמים: ובכל מקום אשר אני הולך עושר וכבוד
 אתי תהלה לאל. אולי פעם אחת בימי אעשה לי
 רב או אקנה לי חבר או בריאה יברא ה' תלמיד
 הגון אנחילנו ירושת סודותי ודעותי החלושים
 והדלים: לכן טרם ארחיק ללכת אמרתי בלבבי
 לעשות זה המוסר ולשלחו לשלמה בני צעירי⁹
 היושב טרשקון¹⁰. יהיה לו לזכרון בין עיני
 תמיד והוא יישר אורחותיו. פן רוח ה' ישאני
 בארץ¹¹ רחוקה או יפסקני המות. והייתי אני
 ושלמה בני חטאים: ואולי יועיל זה המוסר להבין
 ולהורות לרבים מיושבי הארץ. ולכן קראתיו
 יורה דעה¹² ובהשם אעזר:

פרק א

שלמה בני! דע את אלהי אביך ועבדהו. והוא
 ירכיבך במרכבת המשנה אשר לו וגם המעשה¹³

⁷ L בלנסיא. ⁸ L omits.

⁹ So B. Other readings: A בעירי, L בחורי, W. בכורי.

¹⁰ B טרשקון, L טרסקון. ¹¹ L omits, adding from A.

¹² B omits these four words. ¹³ B, H omit.

must raise thee in its chariot⁶, drawing thee as near as thy faculty avails unto Him. Even so David said to his son Solomon, "If thou seek Him He will be found of thee."⁷

Now, the knowledge of God is the primary precept of all our 613 laws, as may be seen from the texts enforcing this knowledge.⁸ It is the basis of the four precepts enumerated by Maimonides at the beginning of his Code. He specifically terms them the Foundations of the Torah. These four⁹ precepts are (1) to know that there is a First Cause, (2) to recognize that He is One, (3) to love Him, and (4) to fear Him. They are designated the Foundations of the Torah, for they are at once the purpose and the root of all the commandments, the observance of which is the whole end of man.

CHAPTER II

Beware, however, lest thou draw from this a wrong inference, arguing: "Seeing that these four precepts are root and end, what concern have I with the rest of the precepts? Surely it is good for me to lighten myself of the other 609 laws." God forbid that thou shouldst act thus! As the Lord liveth, *all* the precepts are of great profit,

⁶ Or, according to the other reading, "and He will raise thee in His chariot," etc.

⁷ I Chron. 28.9.

⁸ E. g. Exod. 20.2, Deut. 7 9; Ibn Kaspi (or the copyist) confuses two texts.

⁹ Maimonides really includes 10 precepts as the "Foundations". But the four to which Ibn Kaspi reduces them are not unjustifiably selected.

יעלה אותך במרכבתו להתקרב אליו בכל אשר
בכחך. אך כמו שאמר דוד ע"ה לשלמה בנוי¹⁴
אם תדרשנו ימצא לך:

ודע כי ידיעת ה' הנכבד שזכרתי לך היא המצוה
הראשיית לכל תרי"ג מצות שלנו כמו שכתוב וידעת
את¹⁵ ה' אלהיך. וזה יסוד לארבע המצות שסדר
המורה בראש ס' המדע. וקראם יסודי התורה.
והם לדעת שיש מצוי ראשון. ושהוא אחד. ולא הו¹⁶
וליראה ממנו. ונקראו אלה יסודי התורה כי הם
תכלית ועיקר לכל המצות. וזה סוף כל האדם:

פרק ב

השמר לך פן יהיה עם לבבך בליעל לאמר.
אחר שאלה הד' מצות הם העיקר והתכלית מה
לי וליתר המצות? הלא טוב לי שאקל מעלי תר¹⁷
מצות! חלילה לך מעשות כדבר הזה: חי ה' כי
יתר המצות¹⁸ כולם מועילות תועלות גדולות מצד

¹⁴ L לבנו.

¹⁵ So the MSS. read.

¹⁶ A, L ולא הבה.

¹⁷ L תריג.

¹⁸ A omits these three words.

both in and for themselves and as reinforcements of the four basic rules. Thou canst not truly fulfil these four, unless thou fulfillest all the rest. If thou becomest proficient in philosophy, thou wilt understand that man is compounded of body and soul, and that the rational faculty, which belongs to the soul, is itself partly practical, partly speculative. Neither of these can exist without the other, just as the soul cannot exist without the body. For this reason the Commandments are divided first into those which effect the well-being of the body and those which effect the well-being of the soul, and secondly into the practical and speculative.

Maimonides has fully explained this in his Code and Guide.¹⁰ Our honored Sages were the first to point this out in several passages, and Aristotle expounded their words with perfect lucidity in his *Ethics*. The Greek philosopher lived during the Second Temple, and he learned from the Jewish Sages all the true things that he wrote. Nor do I remember that Aristotle departed from the tenets of the Rabbis except with regard to the eternity of the world and the question whether the sphere or the stars move. In the second case, the Rabbis admitted¹¹ that the heathen Sages had the correct opinion, [in the first Aristotle retracted his opinion]. And, in general, if thou livest and acquirest a knowledge of these matters, it will become clear to thee

¹⁰ In the *Hilkot Madda'* and in the *Guide for the Perplexed*, e. g. III, ch. 27.

¹¹ T. B. Pesahim 94; Shabb. 54.

עצמם ומצד הישרתם לאלה הארבע. ולא תוכל
לקיים אלה הארבע קיום אמיתי אלא בקיום כל
המצות: ואם תזכה לדעת החכמות על השלמות.
אז תבין כי האדם מורכב מגוף ומנפש. ותדע כי
הכח הדברי מן הנפש ממנו מעשי וממנו עיוני. ואין
לאחד מאלו השנים קיום בלעדי חבירו. וכן אין
קיום לנפש בלעדי הגוף: ולכן נחלקו המצות תחלה
לתקון הגוף ותקון הנפש ואחר למעשיות ולעיוניות:
וכבר ביאר זה המורה באור שלם בס' המדע
וכן בס' המורה: וזכרו זה תחלה רבותינו המכובדים
במקומות מפוזרים. ובאר דבריהם אריסטו בס'
המדות ביאור שלם: כי בזמן בית שני היה זה
החכם¹⁹ ומהם למד בכל²⁰ מה שאמר אמת.
ואין אני זוכר שיצא מגדר דבריהם רק בענין
הקדמות ובענין מזלות חוזרין וגלגל קבוע²¹ שהודו
הם בעצמם שבזה²² נצחו חכמי אומות לחכמי
ישראל: ובכלל אם תחיה²³ ותזכה להבין הדברים

¹⁹ L הדבר.

²⁰ So H, B. L and A read וכל.

²¹ L קבועים. H as in text but reverses order.

²² H ובוה.

²³ L חרצה.

that not "in vain has the pen of the scribe made books!"¹²

CHAPTER III

I will give thee two simple illustrations in support of my injunction that thou must be diligent in fulfilling all the practical precepts.

The first example is this: Concerning the wearing of fringes the reason is given, "that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord."¹³ How, you may ask in bewilderment, can the sight of fringes on a garment call to mind all the Lord's commandments, among them the four named above? The reply is, Certainly this is so. Let me explain briefly, and in terms suited to thy youthful capacity. Man is not an angel that his reason should always be working perfectly. Nor is he a mule, that his reason should never be active at all. He may be termed hermaphrodite, metaphorically speaking, half angel, half mule. Hence neither angel nor mule was bidden to wear fringes! As our honored Rabbis said, God asked the angels, What have ye to do with the Torah?¹⁴ Man, however, received this and similar commandments, because he occupies an intermediate position, with his mind sometimes active, sometimes quiescent. The investiture of the fringed garment does recall all the precepts, until ultimately he remembers that God, blessed be He,

¹² Jer. 8.8.

¹³ Num. 15.39.

¹⁴ T. B. Shabb. 88, Ber. 28b.

תדע כי לא לשקר עשה עט סופרי²⁴ ספרים:

פרק ג

אתן לך שני משלים קלים בחזק מה שצויתך להיות זהיר בכל המצות המעשיות:

המשל הראשון. כתוב בתורה במצות ציצית שהטעם הוא וראיתם אתו וזכרתם את כל מצות ה'. אולי תגע עדיך ותבהל איך בראיית הציצית נזכור כל מצות ה' שבכללם הארבע שקדם זכרם? התשובה כן הענין בלי ספק. ובאור זה בקצרה וכפי כחך היום. כי האדם אינו מלאך שיהיה שכלו²⁵ גמור בפעל תמיד. ואינו פרד²⁶ שלא יהיה שכלו²⁷ בכח²⁸ כלל. אבל הוא כמו אנדרוגינוס חציו מלאך וחציו פרד על צד הקרוב. ולכן לא נצטוה בציצית לא המלאך ולא הפרד. ואמרו רבותינו המכובדים כי השי"ת אמר למלאכים תורה מה תהא לכם? אבל נצטוה בזה וכדומה²⁹ לזה האדם. להיותו³⁰ ממוצע כמו שאמרנו. והוא פעם שכל ופעם אינו שכל בפעל. וההתעטפות בציצית יזכירנו כל המצות. עד שיזכור באחרית כי השם

²⁴ Jer. 8. 8; The quotation is not exact. So H. reads עט שקר סופרים. ²⁵ שכל H. ²⁶ L פרא throughout.

²⁷ H שכל. ²⁸ A, L נכח. ²⁹ H וברו מר. ³⁰ H adds כמו.

is the First Cause. For the section relating to the fringes ends with the words: "I am the Lord thy God"—a truth thus made clear! This precept has other advantages, but above all is the statement of Scripture sure: "And ye shall look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord," the text ending with the result: "that ye go not about after your own heart and your own eyes." It was by neglect of such warnings that Solomon, of blessed memory, erred, for he said: "I will multiply horses and yet I will not turn aside from God."¹⁵ Take warning from this example.

My second example shall be a "light precept", to use our Sages' term¹⁶. I refer to the command to dwell in booths. The Torah assigns both the motive and the end: "that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the Land of Egypt."¹⁷ Observe how truth is a testimony to itself! The text does not say, because the children of Israel *dwell* in booths, nor does it say when they *came* out. But it does say, "because *I made them dwell*" and "*when I brought them out.*" Thus there is a reference back to God, the First Cause; as though to indicate that this precept was not merely intended to recall the facts of the departure from Egypt and dwelling in tents but to recall Him who brought out, Him who made to dwell! In other words the intention was that they should practically realize this truth, just as the four primary precepts enforce it in theory.

¹⁵ Deut. 17.16. Cf. T. B. Sanh. 21b.

ית' הואי³¹ הסבה הראשונה כמו שכתוב אנכי ה' אלהיך הוא אמת וברור: ולזאת המצוה תועלות אחרות. אבל על כל פנים אמת מה שכתוב בתורה וראיתם אותו וזכרתם את כל מצות ה'. וסיים ולא תתורו אחרי לבבכם ואחרי עיניכם: ובזה טעה שלמה ע"ה שאמר אני ארבה ולא אסור. והקש על זה:

והמשל השני במצוה קלה כמו שאמרו רבותינו. והיא מצות סוכה. ונתנה התורה טעמה ותועלתה ג"כ. ואמר³² למען ידעו דורותיכם כי בסוכות הושבתי את בני ישראל בהוציאי אותם מארץ מצרים. וראה איך האמת עד לעצמה כמו שפירשנו. כי לא אמר בסוכות ישבו בני ישראל ולא אמר ג"כ בצאתם. אבל אמר הושבתי וכן בהוציאי. שהוא כינוי להשי"ת שהוא הפועל הראשון. כלומר אין הטעם בזה כדי שזכר היציאה והשיבה לבד. רק שזכור³³ המוציא והמושיב:³⁴ והטעם כדי שידעו זה בפועל. וזה ענין ארבע מצות שזכרנו:

³¹ H שהוא. ³² L, A omit.

³³ B, A שזכיר. ³⁴ So H. Others והמשיב.

¹⁶ T. B. 'Abodah Zarah 3a.

¹⁷ Levit. 23.43.

So, in general, all the practical precepts, positive and negative, are helpful in many ways; but one of their most comprehensive services is that they bring to their doer's consciousness the four basic precepts summed up in the idea of Knowing God; sometimes keeping this knowledge with him, at others restoring it if he momentarily lose it. For these two operations both fall within the scope of the physician's art; to maintain health if it be present, to restore it if it be absent. And it is a familiar truth that sickness of the soul and its cure are analogous to the disease and healing of the body.¹⁸

CHAPTER IV

The thought may occur to thee: "I will perform all the practical commandments, and I will also uphold the four inner, rational principles, knowing them by way of tradition on the authority of Scripture." Well, one who so acts is righteous and sincere, and belongs to the category of the good man. But there is a better than he. For the idea of the Good is susceptible of the less and the more, as in the proposition: "Gold is better than silver." Pure gold, in the case before us, is he who performs all the practical laws, and who maintains the inner, rational principles in the manner befitting them, that is to say, he knows them by way of demonstration. Although the

¹⁸ Cf. Maim. *Eight Chapters*, 3; *De'ot* 2.

ובכלל כל המצות המעשיות הן עשה הן לא
 תעשה כולם מועילות תועלות רבות. ואחת
 מתועלותיהם הכוללות³⁵ היא כדי שנדע בפועל
 הד' מצות היסודיות שהסוג לכולם ידיעת ה'. וזה
 אם לשמרו עמנו תמיד אם להשיבו אלינו³⁶ אם
 נשמט ונשכח כרגע מה. כי אלו השתי פעולות הן
 בגדר הרפואה. רצוני שמירת הבריאות העומדת
 וההשבה אם סרה. וידוע כי חלי הנפש ורפואתה
 הולך על דרך חלי הגוף ורפואתו:

פרק ד

כי תאמר בלבבך אקיים³⁷ כל המצות המעשיות
 וגם אקיים³⁸ אלו הארבע מצות הלביות והעיוניות
 כי אדעם דרך קבלה כמו שכתוב בתורה. דע כי
 עושה אלה הוא צדיק תם³⁹ וישר ובכלל איש טוב
 הוא. אבל יש יותר טוב ממנו: כי הטוב מקבל
 פחות ויותר. ואין זה אלא כמו שנאמר שהזהב טוב
 מן הכסף. והנה הזהב הטהור הוא המקיים כל
 מצות המעשיות והמקיים הלביות והעיוניות כראוי
 להם. רצוני שידעם במופת. וכבר מנה המורה כי

להושיבו A. להשיב אליו H. L. B. So. ³⁵ הכוללת H. ³⁶ A, L omit. ³⁷ נקיים L. ³⁸ אלו.

³⁹ A omits.

total number of the precepts is 613, Maimonides estimated that only sixty are of regular and general application¹⁹. This may be indicated symbolically by the verse: "Threescore are the queens."²⁰ Nay, if thou wilt probe the matter more deeply, thou wilt discover that the number of obligatory commandments is even less than sixty. Examine the *Book of the Commandments*, and thou wilt understand what I mean.

While he who fulfils all the precepts in the manner befitting them is perfectly good, he who does less than this attains by so much a lesser degree of good. Our Sages accordingly declared that "Every Israelite has a portion in the world to come."²¹ But the portions are unequal, else were God unjust.

CHAPTER V.

Hear, my son! the instruction of thy father—and hold firm to my injunction to perform the practical precepts, doing so in the manner befitting them—i. e. by practice. These laws thou must derive from the Bible, from the encyclopedic Code of Maimonides, and also from the Compendium of Alfasi. "Give a portion unto seven"²² and fix times for the study of the Talmud, as I shall further explain.

¹⁹ Maim. *Book of the Commandments*, end of section on "Affirmative Precepts".

²⁰ Song of Songs 6.8.

²¹ Mishnah, Sanh. 10.1.

²² Eccles. 11.2. The expression in the text refers no doubt to the seven liberal arts.

אעפ"י שהמספר הכולל הוא תרי"ג אין⁴⁰ מהם תמיד וכולל רק ששים. וסימן להם ששים המה מלכות. והנה כאשר תדקדק⁴¹ תמצא ההכרחיות יותר מעט מזה. תעיין בס' המצות ותבין זה: ובכלל כל⁴² המקיים המצות כלם כראוי להם הוא הטוב השלם. והפוחת מזה תהיה פחיתות מעלתו כפי פחיתות פעולתו. ולכן ארז"ל כל ישראל יש להם חלק לעה"ב. אבל אין החלקים שוים. כי אם אינו כן לא יהיו כל דרכיו משפט⁴³:

פרק ה

שמע בני מוסר אביך. החזק במוסר לקיים המעשיות⁴⁴ כאשר צויתך. ואלה תקיימם כראוי. והוא המעשה. ותעמוד על אלה ממה שכתוב בתורה. ופירשם רבינו משה בס' הכולל משנה תורה וגם מה שחבר רב אלפסי. ותן חלק לשבעה⁴⁵ וקבע עתים לגמרא כמו שאודיעך עוד בע"ה⁴⁶:

⁴⁰ So B, H. A. L. איזה.

⁴¹ H adds יותר.

⁴² H כי.

⁴³ L omits from אבל to end of paragraph.

⁴⁴ A המצות.

⁴⁵ B, H omit.

⁴⁶ B, H omit.

But "if there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment," as regards any of these practical laws, follow the ordinance of Scripture²³, "Arise and get thee up into the place which the Lord thy God shall choose." Note the selection of terms. "Thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites and unto the judge," "and thou shalt *do* according to the tenor of the sentence which they shall declare unto thee." It is written, "thou shalt *do*", and not, "thou shalt *know*". The Scripture had previously defined the kind of law to which this rule -(of seeking expert advice) was to apply. It starts with a very wide category, "between blood and blood", and further adds "between plea and plea", another general category, and then qualifies by the phrase "even matters of controversy within thy gates." The implication is that we are not all bound to know every detail of the law of the "four bailees"²⁴, of "claimant and respondent", of "loan and deposit". Acquaintance with such matters is commendable, yet is it enough for us if there be available in our age a judge or judges familiar with the law, who "shall judge the people at all times."²⁵ That is to say, if I am able to pass my whole life without litigation, then ignorance of the law as to disputes is no defect in my soul. And if, God forbid, contention should arise between me and another and I go before one of the Rabbis expert in these affairs, again it is no defect at all

²³ Deut. 17.8.

²⁴ Mishnah Baba Mezi'a 7.8, etc.

²⁵ Exod. 18.22.

וכי יפלא דבר ממך מאלה המעשיות עשה כמו
 שאמרה תורה. וקמת ועלית וגו' ובאת אל הכהנים
 הלויים ואל השופט אשר יהיה בימים ההם וגו' ועשית
 על פי הדבר אשר יגידו לך וגו': ראה הפלגת זה
 הלשון. כי אמר ועשית ולא אמר וידעת. וכן פרט
 תחלה על איזה מצוה יתנהג כן. ואמר סוג כולל
 מאד והוא בין דם לדם ואמר עוד בין דין לדין
 שהוא כלל אחר ואמר דברי ריבות בשעריך:
 והמשל בזה כי אינו הכרח שנדע כולנו על כל פנים
 דין ארבעה שומרים. או כל הלכות טוען ונטען
 שאלה ופקדון. ואם הידיעה הזאת טובה. רק"
 די לנו אם יש לנו בימינו שופט או שופטים ידעו
 זה ושפטו את העם בכל עת: וזה כי אם אוכל לשבת
 כל ימי ודבר אין לי עם אדם מענין ריב ומדון לא
 יהיה חסרון בנפשי כי לא ידעתי אלה הדינים. ואם
 ח"ו יארע לי ריב עם זולתי אלכה לי אל אחד
 מהרבנים היודעים דינים אלו. אין זה חסרון בנפשי

47 A omits רק, L omits that and following 3 words.

in my soul. As the Sage Ibn Ezra remarks: "If all men were righteous, there would be no need for the tractate concerning Torts." Yet it would certainly be a defect in my soul if, when occasion arose for applying the law, I transgressed it.

On the other hand, as God liveth, the case is quite different with regard to the inner, speculative precepts. For their whole substance and being consists in the knowledge of them personally, by every individual, and this knowledge must be a continuous, rational apprehension. Nor does this of itself constitute perfection of fulfillment. This rational apprehension must be fortified by irrefutable proofs. For the knowledge of God, of His existence and His unity, means proven knowledge. Otherwise the term used ought to be "thought," "opinion," or "think," and not in the true sense unqualified "knowledge." Thus Maimonides avoids the terms "believe," "opine" and uses the term "know," after the Scriptural analogy: "Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God."²⁶

CHAPTER VI

[When elsewhere Maimonides does use the term *faith*, the sense in which he employs it is clear]. In his *Guide for the Perplexed* Part I, ch. 50, he writes: "When reading my present treatise, bear in mind that by *faith* we do not understand that which is merely uttered with the lips, but that which is apprehended by the soul, the

²⁶ Deut. 4.39. Compare and contrast Mendelssohn's view in his *Jerusalem*. Cf. also Schechter, *Studies in Judaism*.

כלל. ואמר החכם אבן עזרא. אלו היינו כלנו
צדיקים. לא נצטרך למסכת נזיקין. אבל יהיה
חסרון בנפשי אם אעבור על זה⁴⁸ הדין:

ואמנם במצות הלביות והעיוניות לא כן חי ה'!
כי כל עצמם ומהותם⁴⁹ הידיעה הנפשית אשר⁵⁰
לאיש ואיש וזה בפועל תמיד ציור שלם ודבוק
שכלי. וגם זה אינו שלימות גמור אלא אם כן תדע
זה במופתים והקשים הכרחיים. ולכן אמרה התורה
וידעת את ה' אלהיך. ואמר המורה לדעת שיש שם
מצוי ראשון ולדעת שהוא אחד: וגדר שם הידיעה
הוא הידיעה המופתית. כי זולת זה יקרא מחשבה
או סברא לא ידיעה בסתם על דרך האמת: והנה
המורה לא אמר להאמין או לסבור או לחשוב
רק לדעת כלשון התורה וידעת⁵¹:

פרק ו

אמר המורה בפרק נ' מראשון. דע אתה המעיין
במאמרי זה כי ההאמנה אינה הענין הנאמר בפה⁵²
אבל הענין המצוייר בנפש כשיאמינו בו שהוא כן

⁴⁸ B, A, H omit על זה. ⁴⁹ A, L ומחוכם.

⁵⁰ H. omits. ⁵¹ L בידעת התורה וכונתה.

⁵² B, H omit.

conviction that the object of belief is exactly as it is apprehended." To which he adds: "If in addition to this we are convinced that the thing cannot be different in any way from that which we believe it to be, and that no reasonable argument can be found for the negation of the belief or for the admission of any deviation from it, then the belief is true." When, again, in ch. 55, Maimonides discusses the kinds of attributes which are inapplicable to God, seeing that their application implies imperfection, he uses these expressions: "He who knows these things, but without their proofs, does not know the particulars which logically result from these general propositions; he will not be able to prove that God exists." Further Maimonides remarks in ch. 60: "But you must be careful in what you negative, to negative by proof, not by mere words, for each time you ascertain by proof that a certain thing, imagined to exist in the Creator, must be negated, you have undoubtedly come one step nearer to the knowledge of God." In fine, Maimonides here and in many other passages, and in agreement with all authoritative philosophers, asserts that perfect knowledge is only attainable when the mind's apprehensions are *demonstrated*.

כמו שיצוייר: ועוד אמר ואם יגיע⁵³ עם זאת האמונה שאי אפשר חלוף זאת האמונה בשום פנים ולא ימצא בשכל מקום דחיה לאמונה ההיא ולא לשער אפשרות חלופה תהיה אמיתית: עוד פרק נ"ה על ידיעת הדברים שראוי שירוחקו מהאל להיותם מונעים השלימות מאתו ית' אמר דבר זה לשונו. ואם ידע אלו הדברים ולא ידעם במופתיים לא⁵⁴ ידע הפרטים המתחייבים מאלו ההקדמות הכלליות חיוב הכרחי. ולזה⁵⁵ לא יהיה אצלו מופת במציאת האלוה: עוד אמר בפרק כ' והשמר מאד שתוסיף שלילת מה שתשלול במופת לא שתשלול⁵⁶ בדבור בלבד. כי כל אשר תתבאר⁵⁷ לך במופת שלילת דבר שיחשב מציאותו לשם ממנו תקרב⁵⁸ אליו מדרגה בלא ספק. ובכלל הנה המורה בזה ובמקומות רבים וכל הפילוסופים השלמים הסכימו שלא יקרא ידיעה שלימה רק בידיעת אלו הציורים השכליים במופת:

⁵³ L יהיה.

⁵⁴ H has ולא.

⁵⁵ H לזה.

⁵⁶ H omits three words.

⁵⁷ H כאשר התבאר.

⁵⁸ B, H קרבת.

CHAPTER VII

When then we are bidden to know that there is a First Cause, how can this knowledge be obtained except by arguments and proofs which no sceptic can dispute? Our Sages ordained that the duty of studying the Torah is to be pursued to that very extent.²⁷ Again, how can I know that God is One, as is constantly proclaimed in our prayers, unless I know what constitutes unity, as it is expounded in the *Guide* and in the *Metaphysics* [of Aristotle]? Maimonides explains that the idea of unity does not attach to the sphere, nor to any of the separate Intelligences, nor even to the highest Intelligence which moves the diurnal sphere. Unity applies to God alone, who is above this highest Intelligence. Aristotle proved all this irrefutably; hence Maimonides burned with a mighty zeal when he saw that Aristotle had presumed to interpret our precious truths, attributing the exposition to himself, while he stole it all from the books written on the subject by King Solomon and others.²⁸ Maimonides was therefore impelled to compose his comprehensive treatise, the *Guide*, in which he includes these precepts

²⁷ Obviously Ibn Kaspi (with Maimonides) had before him the version of Mishnah Abot 2.14 (in which the imperative *וְהָיָה* is omitted, and which ran:—"Be diligent to learn Torah wherewith thou mayest make answer to Epicurus"). Cf. the Notes of the Tosafot Yomtob and C. Taylor to the passages.

²⁸ For this notion that Greek philosophy was derived from Hebrew sources, see above p. 129.

פרק ז

והנה צונו שנדע שיש שם מצוי ראשון. ואיך
 אדע⁵⁹ זה שהוא אמת אלא אם כן אדע זה בטענות
 וראיות שלא יוכל אפיקורוס לחלוק עלי⁶⁰? כמו
 שצונו רבותינו ז"ל. שעד זה הגבול הוא חיוב
 למידתנו את התורה⁶¹: וכן איך אדע שהוא אחד
 שנאמר תמיד בקריאת שמע אלא אם כן אדע מהו
 האחד כמו שהתבאר בספר המורה וספר מה שאחר
 הטבע? כי שם התבאר שהגלגל אינו אחד. וכן אחד
 מן⁶² השכלים הנפרדים⁶³ אינו אחד. ואף לא
 השכל העליון המניע הגלגל היומי. ואין שם אחד
 רק האל ית' לבדו שהוא למעלה⁶⁴ מזה השכל:
 וכל זה התבאר במופתים שאין במ ספק בספרי⁶⁵
 האלהות לאריסטו: על כן קנא הרב השלם להשם⁶⁶
 קנאה גדולה כאשר ראה שאריסטו התנשא לפרש
 המצות היקרות שלנו. וייחס פירושם לעצמו תחת
 אשר גנב כל זה מספרי שלמה וזולתו שחווברו בענין
 זה: ולכן חבר השלם ס' המורה שהוא כולל פי'

⁵⁹ H, B נדע ⁶⁰ A, L עליו ⁶¹ A, L בתורה

⁶² A, L omit. ⁶³ H omits. ⁶⁴ L השלם.

⁶⁵ B, H בדברי. In other contexts the readings vary
 between ספר and ספרי. ⁶⁶ B, A omit. H לנו.

and their proofs, just as he had previously given in his Code a survey of all the other precepts.

Now how can any of us be said to appreciate the meaning of Unity as applied to God unless we have an inner understanding of the declaration so often on our lips that The Lord our God is One; unless we know, and know by demonstration, that this One is not the mover of the diurnal sphere but a power above it? So, too, with the precepts to love God and to fear Him. We are not to love God as a man loves his wife and children; not to fear Him as we fear a human being. But these emotions, as applied in our relation to God, need definition, of the kind supplied in the works of Maimonides. But to acquire the necessary knowledge a study of the natural sciences and metaphysics is indispensable.

Abraham, our first father, whom God termed His friend,²⁹ was the man who discovered for himself, by aid of his fine intelligence, this universal principle of ours: that above the celestial sphere there is a Unique Being. So, our Sages said, Abraham recognized His Creator when he was forty years of age.³⁰ This recognition, they would have us understand, was made by Abraham from actual demonstration; for it was not a tradition from his father, nor did he acquire it from his contemporaries. He originated the idea, while his contemporaries believed the physical sun to

²⁹ Isa. 41.8.

³⁰ The common reading in *Genesis Rabbah*, ch. xxx, is "forty-eight years of age", but Ibn Kaspi, like Maim., had the reading "forty". Cf. Theodor's note, p. 274.

אלו המצות ומופתיהם כמו שקדם לו ס' משנה תורה
שהוא כולל פי' שאר המצות:

ואמנם מי מכולנו מבין ענין היחוד⁶⁷ באל ית'
עד שנדע בלבנו מה כוונת אמרנו תמיד שמע
ישראל ה' אלהינו ה' אחד. עד שנדע שזה האחד
אינו הגלגל המניע היומי אבל הוא מה שהוא למעלה
מזה כל שכן כשנדע זה במופת: וכן מצות לאהבה
את ה'. כי אין הטעם שנאהוב אותו כדרך אהבתינו
אל נשינו ובנינו. וכן שנירא ממנו כמו שנירא מאחד
מן האנשים. אבל כמו שפירש⁶⁸ המורה במדע
ובמורה. ואין מי שידע⁶⁹ זה או יבין זה אלא
היודעים ספרי הטבע ומה שאחר הטבע:

והנה אברהם אבינו הראשון שקראו השם
אוהבו⁷⁰ הוא המציא מעצמו בדקות שכלו זאת
האמונה שלנו הכוללית. שעל הגלגל יש מצוי שהוא
אחד. ולכן אמרו בן ארבעים שנה הכיר אברהם
את בוראו. והכוונה בפעל במופת. כי זאת ההכרה
לא היתה לו בקבלה מאביו תרח או מזולתו מבני
דורו. כי הוא היה המחדש⁷¹ אותה. וכולם⁷²

⁶⁷ B אחד.

⁶⁸ B, H שפירשם.

⁶⁹ B, H ומי ידע.

⁷⁰ A, L אוהבי.

⁷¹ H מחדש.

⁷² H כלם.

be divine. Abraham, in the rabbinical story, appealed to argument and proof; he did not say to the others, I believe it, I have been told in a dream that I ought to think so and so true. "Look unto Abraham your father," cries Isaiah.³¹ Assuredly it becomes us to imitate him. I am far from asserting that all men can reach the level of Abraham, but I do say that his level is the highest and most excellent though, as I have admitted above, those who stand below it are also good.

CHAPTER VIII

But I command thee, dear son of mine, to rise up, if thou canst, to this, the highest level. My son! be wise and make my heart glad!³²

CHAPTER IX

Yet, let not the fact that these works expound those four precious precepts, hurry thee to a premature study of the *Guide* or of Aristotle's *Metaphysics*. Not so my son! By gradual steps shalt thou rise to Truth. Not in a rush canst thou compass the whole ascent; slips and setbacks may impede thy progress. This is pointed out in the *Guide*, I 34, and in other places, as thou wilt hereafter see.

³¹ Isa. 51.2.

³² Prov. 27.11. The author intimates the importance he attaches to this counsel by devoting a whole chapter to it.

זולתו היו מאמינים שהגלגל שהוא גשם היה אלוה.
ולכן טען כנגדם טענות מופתיות. לא שאמר להם
אני מאמין כך וכך או חלום חלמתי שראוי להאמין
כך וכך: לכן ראוי לנו שנתדמה אל אבינו הראשון.
הביטו אל אברהם אביכם: ואין אני אומר שכל
בני הזמן יוכלו להגיע אל זאת המדרגה. אבל אומר
אני שזאת המדרגה היא היותר טובה והעליונה.
ואשר למטה מזה טובים גם כן כמו שקדם לנו:

פרק ח

אבל אצוך בני היקר לי שתעלה אם תוכל אל
המדרגה⁷³ היותר עליונה. חכם בני ושמח לבי!

פרק ט

לבך אל ימהר להתחיל⁷⁴ בלימוד ספר המורה
וס' מה שאחר הטבע לאריסטו. בעבור שאלו
הספרים מודיעים אלו הארבע מצות היקרות. לא
כן בני! מעט מעט תעלה אל האמתיות. לא תוכל
כלותם מהר פן תרבה עליך הטעיות והשבושים.
וכבר באר זה המורה בספרו הנכבד פרק ל"ד
מראשון. ובמקומות אחרים כמו שתראה עוד:

⁷³ H המעלה.

⁷⁴ H, B omit.

CHAPTER X

My son! Keep my words!³³ To-day thou art twelve years of age. For another two years be a diligent student of the Scriptures and Talmud. When thou art fourteen, fix regular hours for continuing thy previous studies, and give also a good part of thy time to mathematics; first Ibn Ezra's Arithmetic, then Euclid, and the Astronomical treatise of Al-Fergani and [Abraham b. Hiyya]³⁴. Besides, appoint set times for reading moral books, which will introduce thee to all good qualities—viz. the Books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes, the Mishnaic tractate *Fathers*, with the Commentary of Maimonides and his preface thereto, and the same author's Introductory chapters to the Code. Also read Aristotle's *Ethics*, of which I have made a digest. There is also available among us the Collection of the *Maxims of the Philosophers*.

This course should occupy thee for two years. Then, when thou art sixteen, appoint times for the Scriptures, for the writings of Alfasi, Moses of Coucy, and the Code of the perfect teacher (Maimonides). Also give much time to Logic. With the help of God I will make a compendium on this subject, sufficient for thy needs, as I did with the *Ethics*.

³³ Prov. 7.1.

³⁴ On the works named in the context see Steinschneider, *Hebr. Uebersetzungen*, §§ 343, 350, 502. On the Jewish educational schemes, cf. I. Abrahams, *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages*, chs. xix, xx.

פרק י

בני שמור אמרי! הנך היום בן שנים עשרה שנה.
 לכן שקוד בתורה במקרא ובגמרא עוד שתי שנים
 אחר כן.⁷⁵ ואתה בן י"ד שנה קבע עתים לכל מה
 שקדם. ותן חלק גדול לחכמות הלמודיות. וזה תחלה
 ס' המספר מאבן עזרא ואחריו ס' האקלידס ואחריו
 ס' אלפראגאני והשבון המהלכות. עם קבעך⁷⁶
 עתים בספרים המוסריים⁷⁷ המישרים אורחותיך
 במדות⁷⁸. והם ס' משלי וקהלת ומס' אבות עם
 פרוש המורה והקדמתו. וכן הלכות דעות מס'
 המדע וכן ס' המדות לארסטו אשר עשיתי ממנו
 קיצור. וכן ס' אחר נמצא אצלינו המקבץ מוסרי
 הפלוסופים:

הנה כל זה תבין בב' שנים. ואתה בן י"ו
 שנה תקבע עתים לתורה ולמקרא ולספרי הרב
 אלפאסי וס' רבינו משה מקוצי וס' משנה תורה מן
 הרב השלם: ותן חלק גדול למלאכת ההגיון. ובע"ה
 אעשה לך קיצור מזאת המלאכה יספוק לך⁷⁹
 כמו שעשיתי קיצור מס' המדות:

⁷⁵ H puts stop at שנים and omits כן, begins new clause with אחר, and so in all similar contexts.

⁷⁶ A and L read קבע וגם. ⁷⁷ B במוסריים. ⁷⁸ A, L בכל. ⁷⁹ B, H omit. המדות.

In this way thou shouldst pass another two years, by which time thou wilt be eighteen years old. Then review all thy former work, and study natural science. By that date, being twenty years of age, "build thy house". Do not intermit the reading of moral books, but also take up theology, i. e., the *Metaphysics* of Aristotle and his disciples, as well as the *Guide* of Maimonides.

Marry a wife of good family, beautiful in form and in character. Pay no regard to money, for true wealth consists only of a sufficiency of bread to eat and raiment to wear. Why weary thyself to gain great riches, when neither thou nor any other could equal the vast store accumulated by the great mountain in our native city l'Argentière³⁵, even though that mountain is but a soul-less heap! Rather occupy thy mind continually with books of morals; I need not here repeat their lessons, but they will instruct thee as to the meaning of real wealth and as to other matters. Observe their injunctions faithfully. Above all things be chaste, just as thy father has been before thee. And use thy endeavors to live a virtuous life, and to order well thy home with thy wife and the children whom, God willing, thou shalt beget; in all things obeying the injunctions of the moralists. Never fail to read

³⁵ See above, p. 127.

ובזה תתמיד שני שנים אחרים. ואתה בן י"ח שנה
תקבע עתים לכל מה שקדם. ושקוד בחכמת הטבע
ובזה תתמיד שתי שנים אחר ובנית ביתך. ואתה
בן עשרים שנים. אל תרף ירך מן העיון במוסרים⁸⁰
ותתחיל באלהיות.⁸¹ הם ספרים⁸² מה שלאחר
הטבע לארסטו ותלמידיו וס' המורה:

אך קח לך אשה מבנות היחס. נאה בגופה
ובמעשיה. ולא תתן עיניך בממון. כי העושר אינו
רק ההסתפקות לחם לאכול ובגד ללבוש. ולמה
תיגע בני להשיג כסף רב ולא תוכל אתה ולא זולתך
להגיע אל הגבול שהשיג מזה ההר הגדול אשר
בכספיא המקום עיר מולדתנו. עם היות ההר ההוא
דומם שאינו בעל נפש כלל: על כן צויתך להגות
תמיד במוסרים. ואין רצוני להעתיקם בכאן. הלא
הם יורוך על זה ועל כל הראוי. ועל כל פנים
שמור כל הכתוב בהם: ועל הכל בני השמר לך
מהסתכל בנשים כאשר נשמר אביך: אך בכלל
תכלכל דבריך במשפט בסדור ביתך עם אשתך
ובניך אשר תוליד אם ירצה הבורא על פי הדברים
אשר יגידו לך הספרים⁸³ המוסרים. ועל כל פנים

⁸⁰ A, L בספרים. ⁸¹ B here and elsewhere spells באלו.
So H, though not so consistently. ⁸² A, L ספר.

⁸³ B, H omit.

a section of some ethical book daily after every meal, having first blessed the Lord. Above all set thy thought on that highest of attainments, the Knowledge of God, as expounded in the *Guide*, and in the *Vessels of Silver*, which, if God grant me life, I will make for thee.³⁶ "Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God."³⁷ In this course persist until the day of thy death. Ascending above the heavens, thou shalt then find entry into the company of the angelic spirits, into a delight which cannot be measured!

CHAPTER XI

There are, my son! two dispositions among contemporary Jews which must be firmly avoided by thee.

The first class consists of sciolists, whose studies have not gone far enough. They are destroyers and rebels; scoff at the words of the Rabbis of blessed memory, treat the practical precepts as of little account, and accept unseemly interpretations of biblical narratives. These men are false, through and through. They testify unmistakably against themselves that they are ill-acquainted with the philosophical writings of Aristotle and his disciples. This is obvious to those who are really familiar with those writings. I call heaven and earth to witness that I may

³⁶ Ibn Kaspi's *Ten Vessels of Silver* have been published by Isaac Last in 2 vols. (Pressburg, 1903).

³⁷ Prov. 2.5.

תקרא חלק מה מהם כל ימי חיך אחר גמר כל
 סעודה אחר וברכת את ה' אלהיך: ובכלל שקוד
 על טוב המדות. והם הדעות האלהיות כאשר תבין
 מספר המורה ומן הספרים כלי כסף אשר אעשה
 לך אם יחיני האל. אז תבין יראת ה' ודעת אלהים⁸⁴
 תמצא: ובוזה תתמיד עד יום מותך. ותעלה אז מעל
 לשמים. ותכנס בכת המלאכים הרוחניים בתענוג
 לא ישוער:

פרק יא

בני! שתיים המה קוראותינו בתכונות בני הזמן
 מעמנו. בני אל תלך בדרך אתם. מנע רגלך
 מנתיבתם. המין האחד המתפלספים מבני עמנו.
 תלמידים אשר לא שמשו כל צרכם. הורסים
 בעיונם. ופורצים בלמודם. ומלעיגים על דברי
 חכמינו ז"ל. ומקילים במצות המעשיות ועושים
 ציורים לספורים בלתי ראויים. ואלו מזוייפים
 מתוכם ומעידים עדות נאמנה על נפשם שאינם
 יודעים ספרי החכמות שחבר ארסטו ותלמידיו
 כמו שמבואר זה למי שידעם: ואני מעיד עלי שמים

⁸⁴ So H. Others קדושים.

claim some not³⁸ inconsiderable scientific attainments. That being so, I swear by Him who lives eternally that Aristotle, his fellows, and his disciples, advocate all that is contained in the Torah and the Prophets, and particularly the performance of the practical precepts. For Plato said: "Slay him who is without Law³⁹;" and again, "Prayer is a halter to the lustful soul;" and yet again: "We cannot [by reason alone] reach the level of the prophets." Aristotle observes: "The end is not merely to know, but to know and do, receive and believe, all that is contained in the true Torah;" pry not too closely into possible causes and senses of the commands and prohibitions, nor dispute over them, for the Prophets, on whom be peace, knew all things from God, which is not the case with metaphysicians. This is the gist of their pronouncements; they said much more of the same kind.⁴⁰ Against these famous Saints of the Gentiles we have no possible complaint, and therefore our Sages asserted concerning them that they have a portion in the world to come.⁴¹

And note further how Aristotle, who at first derived his theory of the eternity of the world rationally, afterwards adopted the belief in Creation, expounded as it is in the Torah by those possessed of the prophetic soul, which is higher than the

³⁸ Some texts omit "not".

³⁹ Or: "religion."

⁴⁰ On these "quotations" from Plato and Aristotle see above, p. 129.

⁴¹ Tosefta, Sanh. 13.2.

וארץ כי אין⁸⁵ אני מקטני חכמי הזמן. ואני נשבע
 בחיי העולם כי ארסטו וחביריו ותלמידיו כולם
 מזהירים לשמור כל מה שבתורה ובדברי הנביאים
 ובפרט להזהר במעשיות: ואמר אפלטון הרגו מי
 שאין לו דת. ואמר עוד התפלה⁸⁶ רסן הנפש
 המתאוה. ואמר עוד אנחנו לואים להבין מה שבא
 בתורה על ידי הנביאים: ואמר ארסטו אין הכונה⁸⁷
 שתדע לבד אבל שתדע ותעשה ותקבל ותאמין
 כל מה שבא בתורה האמיתית. ולא תעמיק מאוד⁸⁸
 לבקש טעמים וסבות למצותיה ואזהרותיה ולא
 תקשה לדבר שיונח בה. כי הנביאים ידעו הכל
 מאת אדון הכל. ולא כן אנחנו הפילוסופים חכמי
 העיון: זהו תורף דבריהם וזולת זה כהם וכהם.
 ולא נשאר⁸⁹ על אלה הנכבדים חסידי אומות
 העולם תרעומות אחרי כל זה. ולכן אמרו רבותינו
 ז"ל עליהם שיש להם חלק לעוה"ב:

והנה הקדמות הניח ארסטו מצד עיון הנפש.
 ואחר נכנע לאמונת החדוש כי בא בתורה מצד

⁸⁵ B, H omit.

⁸⁶ B התעלה.

⁸⁷ So H adds. ⁸⁸ B תמיד.

⁸⁹ B, H omit and read הנשאר ולא.

rational faculty. The text says: "Whoso confesseth and forsaketh his transgressions shall obtain mercy."⁴² But the sciolists who lightly esteem the precepts and the words of our Sages, will have to pay the penalty for their offence. They will be called to account, too, for the occasion they have given to the ignorant to scoff at philosophy, thereby profaning the name of heaven!

The second class referred to above includes those of our people who hold in contempt genuine philosophy as presented in the works of Aristotle and his like. They know not that they are speaking against their own soul! For these sciences were originally *ours*. Witness, how these sciences interpret and verify the precepts of our Torah; and further, how many of them are scattered in the haggadot of the Talmud, and the other rabbinic books, above all in the *Guide*, composed by Rabbi Moses, the father in Torah, the father in wisdom. And whom have we greater than Moses?⁴³ Now, my son! I do not blame this class because they devote all their time to the talmudic argumentation, for as Ibn Janaḥ said: "Every man deserves praise for his labor, eulogy for his effort." But I do blame them because they despise science and those engaged in its study.

⁴² Prov. 28.13.

⁴³ Ibn Kaspi's whole-hearted esteem of Maimonides is noticeable throughout the Testament.

בעלי הנפש הנבואית.⁹⁰ שהיא למעלה מן העיונית. והכתוב אומר ומודה ועוזב ירוחם: ובכלל השחיתו התעיבו עלילה אלה התעלולים המקילים במצות ובדברי רבותינו ז"ל. ועתידים הם ליתן את הדין על זה ועל אשר נתנו יד להמוני⁹¹ לבזות החכמות וחללו שם שמים:

המין האחר הוא הנמצאים מעמנו שיבזו החכמות המיוסדות בספרי⁹² ארסטו וחביריו. ולא ידעו כי בנפשם ידברו⁹³. כי אלה החכמות היו שלנו מקדם והעד על זה כי הם פירוש ומופת למצות תורתנו. ועוד כי רובן מפוזרות בהגדות⁹⁴ בגמרא ובשאר ספריהם. וכל שכן בס' המורה שחבר רבינו משה אב בתורה אב בחכמה. ומי לנו גדול ממשה? והנה בני זה המין אין אני מגנה אותם בהיותם משימים כל ימיהם בשקלא וטריא מן הגמרא. וכל אחד כמו שאמר אבן גאנח מהולל על טרהו ומשובח על יגיעו. אבל אני מגנה אותם כי יבזו החכמות ולומדיהם:

⁹⁰ B, L הנביאית.

⁹¹ B, H להאמין.

⁹² L וספרי המיוחסות A. המיוחסות לספרו.

⁹³ L ודרו. ⁹⁴ B omits. H inserts before מפוזרות.

CHAPTER XII

My son! When thou meetest such men, address them thus: My masters! What sin did your fathers detect in the study of logic and philosophy? First as to logic. This art does not touch precepts or faith. As its name implies, it simply regulates and gives precision to the use of language. Is it a terrible crime to use words with accuracy? Do thistles grow on fig trees? 'Tis absurd to imagine that our Rabbis in their warning against logic⁴⁴, were thinking of this genuine discipline. For our Sages never laid an embargo on the good. Yet those who would fain evade the trouble of thinking "are glad when they can find the grave"⁴⁵ of sloth! And then, what say ye of the work of Aristotle and Maimonides? Have you examined the inside of their books? If ye know more than their covers, ye know of a surety that the books are an exposition and justification of our precious precepts. And if, God forbid, ye find something indigestible in these works, cast it out while eating the wholesome rest. So is it recorded of R. Meir: He ate the kernel, and threw away the husk.⁴⁶ This is the method pursued nowadays by Christian scholars. They highly esteem the

⁴⁴ T. B. Berakot 28b.

⁴⁵ Job 3.24. ⁴⁶ Hagigah 9b.

פרק יב

בני כי תבא באנשים אמור להם. רבותי! מה מצאו אבותיכם עול במלאכת ההגיון ובמלאכת⁹⁵ העיונית? וזה תחלה בהגיון שאין בה⁹⁶ דבר נוגע למצוה ואמונה רק דקדוק הדבור והישרתו כמו שידוע מגדרה⁹⁷. היש בהישרת הדבור עול ועוות? האם יש קוצים בתאנים? וחלילה כי מזאת החכמה האמתית אמרו⁹⁸ רז"ל מנעו בניכם מן ההגיון. כי הם לא מנעו הטוב⁹⁹ ממנו¹⁰⁰. אמנם השמחים להקל מעליהם טורח הידיעה ישישו כי ימצאו קבר העצלה: ואחרי כן מה תאמרו מספר הטבע¹⁰¹ ומה שאחר הטבע וספר המורה? ואין אחד מהם להם נראה¹⁰² מבחוץ אף כי שוה מבפנים^{102a}. ואלו ידעתם אותם תמצאו בם פירוש ומופת על מצותינו היקרות כמו שקדם: ואם ח"ו יש באחד מאלה דבר קשה אליכם השליכו אותו וקחו טוב השאר¹⁰³. כי כן נאמר על רבי מאיר תוכו אכל קליפתו זרק. וכן יעשו חכמי הנוצרים.

⁹⁵ H omits these two words.

⁹⁶ A, L omit these 5 words and read בהם כי אין.

⁹⁷ H מורה. ⁹⁸ L לא אמרו, A יאמרו. ⁹⁹ H adds והאמת.

¹⁰⁰ A מעמנו. L ממנו מעמנו. ¹⁰¹ A, L השמע.

¹⁰² A, L לפי הנראה. ^{102a} Read מה שבפנים, as the text seems corrupt. ¹⁰³ A ואכלו טוב. L ואכלו הטוב. H omits וקחו.

Guide, although it contains certain passages opposed to the Christian faith.⁴⁷

CHAPTER XIII

Continue thy argument with them in these terms: I beg you to hear me, my masters! If ye are advanced in years, and have not yet read the words of the philosophers who demonstrate, clearly and indisputably, the four primary precepts, of which I have spoken, then open your eyes before the sun be darkened! Men asked the Sage whether it was becoming to an old man to learn; and he answered, "If ignorance is discreditable to him, learning is an ornament."⁴⁸ Should such a course involve any shame, our honored Rabbis have already given the admonition: Better be ashamed here than hereafter!⁴⁹ Why, my masters, do ye regard the jibes of women, or of men who play the woman, when they cry: See this grey-beard gone again to school! What have ye in common with such people? Will they go with you, and take you on your way to the future world whose duration is eternal? Or shall a man redeem his brother? What concern have we with those children of this age who must die tomorrow, and who even now, in their lives, are called dead? How are we affected by the respect or scorn of the ignorant?

⁴⁷ On the vogue of Maimonides in Christian and Mohammedan circles see Yellin and Abrahams, *Maimonides*, ch. xii and the references in note 92.

⁴⁸ *Choice of Pearls*, ch. i (end).

⁴⁹ T. B. Kidd. 81a.

כל שכן שהם מנשאים ספר המורה ואם יש בו
דברים סותרים לאמונת הנוצרים:

פרק יג

עוד תשוב ואמרת אליהם. שמעו¹⁰⁴ רבותי! אם
באתם בימים ולא ראיתם עדיין דברי החכמים
המודיעים במופתים וראייות ברורות ואמיתיות¹⁰⁵
אותן הארבע מצות הנכבדות. פקחו עיניכם בס¹⁰⁶
עד אשר לא תחשך השמש: ושאלו לחכם אם נאה
לזקן שילמוד? והשיב אם הסכלות גנאי לו הלמוד
נאה לו: ואם בשום פנים יש בושת מה בענין זה כבר
יסרונו רבותינו המכובדים מוטב ליכסיף בהאי
עלמא ולא ליכסיף בעלמא דאתא. ולמה רבותי
תשימו¹⁰⁷ לב לדברי הנשים או האנשים אשר דרך
נשים להם. כי יאמרו ראו זה הרב והרבן גם שב
גם ישיש האדם הגדול חשבנוהו¹⁰⁸. ועתה הוא לומד
ועושה לו רב? מה לכם ולהם? האם ילכו אלה וילוו
אתכם לעולם הבא שכולו ארוך? או אח פדה יפדה
איש? ומה לנו ולדברי בני הזמן שמחר יהיו כולם
מתים ומה גם עתה בחייהם קרויים מתים? ומה לנו

¹⁰⁴ L, H בבעו.

¹⁰⁷ B, H חשיתו.

¹⁰⁵ B, H אמתת.

¹⁰⁸ A, L וחשבנוהו.

¹⁰⁶ A, L omit.

As our Rabbis of blessed memory have said:
 "Words neither kill nor quicken!"⁵⁰

CHAPTER XIV

I will confess to thee, my son! that though in my youth I learned a great portion of the Talmud, I did not acquire (for my sins!) a knowledge of all the posekim.⁵¹ Now that I am old and grey, I have often to consult rabbis younger than myself. Why should I be ashamed of this? Can one man be skilled in every craft? If, for instance, I want a gold cup, I go to the goldsmith, and I feel no shame; and so with other products, I turn, in case of need, to those whom God has gifted with the requisite skill.

Once I made a great feast at which all kinds of delicacies were served. I had the table prepared, I invited my friends to eat and drink with me, for it was a family party. Then the luckless handmaid put a milk spoon into the meat pot. I did not know the ritual law, how one ought to estimate the lawfully permissible proportion of intermixture.⁵² Perturbed in mind, as well as famished in body, I went to one of the rabbis,

⁵⁰ This saying does not seem to occur in extant rabbinic books; Ibn Kaspi quotes the saying more than once in his works.

⁵¹ Authorities on practical law.

⁵² T. B. Hullin 97b. Literally: "The law was hid-

¹¹³ L reads *ולא אבוש כי לכל איש ואיש אומנותו יפה בעיניו*.

¹¹⁴ B *טבחתי את טבחי צאן ובקר* H *טבחתי את טבחי ומרי ת'* ומרי תרנגולות.

¹¹⁵ L *משערין אם כמה תפוק מיניה*.

לאנשים החסרים כי יכבדונו וכי יבזונו? ואמרו
רבותינו ז"ל לא דברים ממיתים ולא דברים מחיים:

פרק יד

אודיעה דברי לך בני אמת כי¹⁰⁹ בבחרותי
למדתי מן התלמוד חלק גדול. אבל בעונותי לא
עלה בידי ידיעת הפוסקים כולם. והיום זקנתי
ושבתי ואצטרך כמה פעמים לשאול הוראה¹¹⁰
מהרבנים ואם הם צעירים ממני לימים. ולמה
אבוש מזה? האוכל להיות בקי בכל המלאכות?
הנה כשאצטרך אל כוס¹¹¹ זהב על דרך משל
אלך אל צורפי זהב והאומנים ולא אבוש. וכן כל
המצטרך אלכה לי לאיש ואיש¹¹² שהאל יפה לכל
אחד אומנתו בפניו:¹¹³

ויהי היום זבחתי את זבחי. ותרנגולות¹¹⁴
מפוטמות וברבורים אבוסים. אף ערכתי שולחני.
קראתי למאהבי לאכול ולשתות עמי. כי זבח
משפחה היה לי. והלכה השפחה הארורה והכניסה
כף חולבת לתוך היורה. ונעלמה ממני הלכה. אם
בכולה משערינן אם במאי דנפק מנה משערינן¹¹⁵:
ואלך מר בחמת רוחי רעב וצמא לאחד מהרבנים

¹⁰⁹ A, L אודיעך בני דבר אמת.

¹¹⁰ L omits.

¹¹¹ L טס.

¹¹² A omits.

held high in popular repute. He was (for my sins!) at table with his wife and family, eating, and drinking wine. I waited at his door until the shades of evening fell, and my soul was near to leave me. He then told me the law, and I returned home where my guests and the poor were awaiting me. I related all that had happened, for I was not ashamed to admit myself unskilled in that particular craft. In this I lack skill, but I have skill in another craft. Is not the faculty of expounding the existence and unity of God as important as familiarity with the rule concerning a small milk spoon?

CHAPTER XV

And thus further shalt thou speak unto them: My father solemnly impressed on me that neither timidity not diffidence is in place where truth is concerned. Why, then, should I deal insincerely with the Torah? My heritage of time I will share only with my Creator, the Giver of my soul; my heart shall seek its honor or find shame from Him alone! Hear me then,

den from me, whether we calculate the proportions by the actual amount of the admixture or by the quantity that has come out of it (has been absorbed by the dish)". See Jastrow, *Dictionary*, p. 1612.

הנכבדים שבעם¹¹⁶. והיה הוא בעונותי¹¹⁷ מסב
 על שולחנו עם אשתו ובניו ואוכלים ושותים יין.
 ואוחיל לו על פתח ביתו עד נטו צללי ערב. כמעט
 לא נותרה בי נשמה. ויורני ויאמר לי הדין כך וכך.
 ואשוב¹¹⁸ אל ביתי והקרואים העניים¹¹⁹ והאביונים
 וכולם שם¹²⁰ היו יושבים ומצפים לי. ואגידה
 אליהם כל המאורע לי¹²¹ כי לא אבוש לומר
 אינני בקי בזאת¹²² המלאכה. אבל אני בקי
 במלאכה אחרת. ולמה לא ישוה פסק או הוראה
 ממציאות הבורא או אחדותו¹²³ הגדולה ככף
 חולבת הקטנה?

פרק טו

בני! עוד דבר ואמרת אליהם. אבי השביעני
 לאמר. אין ראוי¹²⁴ לאמת שתהיה לא פחדנית
 ולא ביישנית. ולמה אשא פנים בתורה? ואין לי
 לחלוק נחלת זמני רק עם בוראי נותן נשמת. חלילה
 לי משום לבי לכבוד או להפכו מכל בני הזמן וזולת

116 B, H שבעירי. 117 A, L omit. 118 A, L ואשיב.

119 A, L והעניים. 120 A, L omit. 121 A, L omit.

122 A, L זאת או בזאת. 123 A מדיעת הבורא.

124 A, L אין ראוי. מדיעת הבורא או אחדותו. L אחדותו.

B. omits אין.

my Masters, and God will hear you. I observe that those of you who are devoted to the Talmud, its glosses and commentaries, do so in order to probe the reasons of the practical precepts. You are not content to take the law from Maimonides' Code, though he asserted that no other book was necessary.

Take as an example the law formulated by Maimonides that a Sukkah (tabernacle) more than 20 cubits high is unfit for use on the festival. But ye regard this as ridiculously inadequate until ye ascertain the ground of the law, and satisfy yourselves whether it is because too high a roof is out of the line of vision, or because in such a case a man sits in the shade cast by the walls rather than by the roof, or because a Sukkah must be a slightly built structure, as the Talmud explains.⁵³ The keenest students are not content even with this, but feel impelled to exercise themselves in more penetrating questions, and to follow out the most detailed suggestions and inferences.

Of a verity, I admit that this is good. But why should a knowledge of the reasons for the practical precepts be obligatory, while the in-

⁵³ T. B. Sukkah 2a.

היחידים סגולה¹²⁵. לכן רבותי שמעו אלי וישמע אליכם אלהים! רואה אני כי כונת המתעסקים מכם בגמרא וחדושים ושיטות היא¹²⁶ רק לדעת ראיות על המצות¹²⁷ המעשיות. כי לא יספיק לכם¹²⁸ הקבלה מספר משנה תורה שחבר רבינו משה ואעפ"י שאמר הוא ז"ל ואינו צריך לספר אחר ביניהם:

והמשל בזה. הרב המורה כתב בהלכותיו סוכה שהיא גבוהה¹²⁹ למעלה מכ' אמות פסולה. ותאמרו נואש! ולא ינוח לבכם עד שתדעו אם הוא משום דלא שלטא ביה עינא. או משום דאין אדם¹³⁰ יושב בצל סכך אלא בצל דפנות. או משום דסוכה דירת עראי בעינן. כמו שכתוב בגמרא: והמהדרין מן המהדרין לא יספיק להם גם זה. ולא ישבעו עד אשר יוסיפו על זה קושיות ושיטות ואם תמצא לומר ויש לומר וכאלה רבות:

ובאמת מודה אני שזה טוב הוא. אבל מדוע ידיעת הראיות במצות המעשיות חובה וידיעתם

¹²⁵ B, H היחידים סגולת השם. L היחידים סגולות.

¹²⁶ B ושניות הן. H ומשניות הן.

¹²⁷ L omits. ¹²⁸ L יסופק. ¹²⁹ L omits.

¹³⁰ B, H אהה.

vestigation of the grounds for the spiritual precepts is not even permitted but is absolutely barred? What is the sin of the four inner laws that ye treat them so differently, being content to take them on authority, without specification, without even an understanding of their terms? Woe unto us that we have sinned! Jews despise or neglect the *Guide* nowadays, though the purpose of that treatise is to demonstrate the existence and unity of God. The Christians⁵⁴ honor the work, study and translate it, while even greater attention is paid to it by the Mohammedans in Fez and other countries, where they have established Colleges for the study of the *Guide* under Jewish scholars!⁵⁵

CHAPTER XVI

But, my son, why should I attribute this good advice to my own initiative? Say to them: Seek from the *Guide* and particularly from ch. 51 of Part III. Then you will all know what course to follow. Maimonides was a qualified authority on whom to rely, it being recognized how he excelled all his contemporaries as accomplished rabbi and expert philosopher, especially as he adduced evidence for his view from our Sages. Far be it from you to neglect their

⁵⁴ Another reading "Egyptians". This variation between מצרי and נוצרי is not infrequent in medieval texts.

⁵⁵ See note 47 above.

במצות הלביות אינה רשות¹³¹ או מקום פטור
 אבל¹³² הוא אסור גמור: ומה חטאו אלו הארבע
 מצות הלביות שזכרתי שלא תעשו להם כמו זה
 הדרך אבל יספיק לכם הקבלה החלושה במעט
 דברים וגם עם העדר הבנת הענינים כמו שזכרתי.
 אוי נא לנו כי חטאנו¹³³ היהודים מואסים או
 עוזבים היום את ספר המורה שכל עצמו להביא
 מופתים על מציאות אלהינו ואחדותו וקדמותו¹³⁴.
 והנוצרים¹³⁵ יכבדוהו וינשאוהו והעתיקוהו. וכל
 שכן הישמעאלים בפאס ובשאר ארצות אשר¹³⁶
 קבעו שם מדרשות ללמוד ספר המורה מפי סופרים
 יהודים:

פרק טז

בני! למה איחס כל אלה דברים הטובים לעצמ?
 אמור אליהם! דרשו מעל ס' המורה וקראו ובפרט
¹³⁷פרק נ"א מחלק שלישי. אז תדעו כולכם מה
 תעשו. וכדאי הוא ז"ל לסמוך עליו עם היות מפורסם
 שהוא היה רב ורבן וחכם שלם מכל הנמצאים היום.
 כש"כ שהוא ז"ל מביא ראיות מדברי רז"ל. וחלילה

¹³¹ A, L וידעת הראיות במצות הלביות רשות.

¹³² L או.

¹³³ B, H אנו.

¹³⁴ B omits.

¹³⁵ A והמצרים.

¹³⁶ L omits.

¹³⁷ A, L בפרט.

words; but let your principle be to regard the speech not the speaker. "Take with you words"⁵⁶—as the Sage enjoined: Take the truth from whoever uttereth it. This must be the guiding rule. Or to put the thought in fanciful terms: Receive my instruction and not Silver (the name of him who addresses you).⁵⁷

CHAPTER XVII

I have shown thee, my son, the way to wisdom. Yet I will call to thy mind one matter, which must never be forgotten, seeing that, whilst still a boy, thou hast read the Talmud, and particularly the opening tractate. There are many haggadot the literal wording of which posits ideas inadmissible rationally, or attributes to God corporeality, change, or any other affection. Perchance thou mayest eat to satiety from these evil viands, these deadly poisons—I refer to the before-mentioned haggadot as literally interpreted, God deliver thee! Therefore my son, understand that most of the haggadot found in the Talmud and other rabbinic books, which on the surface seem to imply the ideas I have named, are figures of speech, with an inner meaning, which we can sometimes discern, sometimes not.

Ours it is to realize that he who is of the seed of Abraham our father,—who endangered his life to dissociate himself from all the people and the

⁵⁶ Hosea 14. 3. See Maimonides, Intro. to Mishnah Abot.

⁵⁷ Prov. 8.10. The author means by this play on

שתעברו על דברי חכמים ז"ל. וכלל¹³⁸ הדבר אל תביטו אל אומר הדברים. קחו עמכם דברים. כמו שצוה החכם. קבל האמת ממי שאמרו. ועל דרך מליצת השיר אומר אני קחו מוסרי ואל כסף!

פרק יז

בני! בדרך חכמה הוריתיך. אכן עוד אזכירך דבר¹³⁹ אחד פן תשכח בעבור היות לך גירסא דינקותא בגמרא. ובפרט במס' ברכות שהיא ההתחלה. ובאו בה כמה הגדות יורה פשוטם מציאת ענינים נמנעים¹⁴⁰ אצל השכל. או ענינים מיחסים גשמות או שינוי או הפעלות מה לשם. פן תאכל ושבעת מאלו המאכלים הרעים סמי המות. רצוני אותם הפשטים האלהים יצילך! לכן דע בני כי רוב ההגדות הנמצאות בגמרא וביתר ספריהם. אשר פשוטם יורה אלו הענינים אשר זכרתי. יש בהם תוך והסתר והם כולם משלים. הן שנבין אנחנו הנסתר הן שלא נבין:

ולנו יש לדעת כי מי שהוא מזרע אברהם אבינו. אשר השליך את נפשו לחלוק עם כל בני ארצו

¹³⁸ A, L ובכלל. ¹³⁹ So H. The other texts read דרך.

¹⁴⁰ L שאינם נמצאים.

king of his country, believers in the corporeality of God—, we who are of Abraham's seed must share Abraham's principles! Whoever believes the contrary, who regards God as corporeal, testifies of himself that he is not of the seed of Abraham, but of the seed of Nimrod or the other Chaldean disputants with Abraham. Should any of thy rabbinic teachers desire to explain literally and not metaphorically any of the *haggadot* which are opposed to reason, or attribute corporeality or other inadmissible quality to God, as in the instance when "the children of Israel did impute things that were not right unto the Lord their God,"⁵⁸ do not assent to such a teacher, accept not the saying nor its utterer, for it is the opinion of a single unsupported authority. In fact, concerning the practical precepts there were just as various opinions, one prohibiting and another allowing, and the final decision necessarily adopted one view and rejected another,—so with the spiritual precepts, and particularly those which need intellectual assent, there were different points of view, as Maimonides often indicates.⁵⁹

CHAPTER XVIII

But thou mayest be led on to think of similar difficulties in the case of the Scriptures where words, take my instruction without any regard to me, Ibn Kaspi, who provide it. See above p. 127.

⁵⁸ See T. B. *Mo'ed Katan* 18b; Kimḥi on II Kings 17.9; *Maim. Guide*, III, ch. 19. Ibn Kaspi quoted the first words: "This pillar neither sees nor hears", not very aptly. Maim. uses it against the deniers of Providence.

⁵⁹ This principle that the *haggadot* were not neces-

ומלכם שהיו מאמינים גשמות באל יתברך. הוא מאמין באמונתו. ומי שמאמין חילוף זה בגשמות¹⁴¹ הוא מעיד על עצמו שאינו מזרעו של אברהם אבינו. אכן הוא מזרע נמרד או מיתר בני כשדים בני מחלוקות של אברהם אבינו: ואם על כל פנים¹⁴² ירצה אחד מרבתיך התלמודיים שקצת ההגדות אין להם תוך אבל הם כפשוטם. עם היותם אומרים דברים נמנעים או מיחסים גשמות או דבר מרוחק אצל הי"ת כמאמר האומר העמוד הזה אינו רואה ואינו שומע. לא תאבה לו ולא תשמע אל דברי¹⁴³ המאמר ההוא ולאומרו כי יחידאה הוא. והאמת כי כמו שהיה מחלוקת ביניהם במצות המעשיות זה אוסר וזה מתיר. זה מחייב וזה פוטר¹⁴⁴. ונפסקה הלכה כאחד מהם בהכרח והאחר נדחה. כך הענין¹⁴⁵ במצות הלביות. ובכלל בדעות העיוניות כמו שזכר הרב המורה רבים מזה המין:

פרק יח

כי תאמר בלבבך מה נעשה לכתובי התורה

¹⁴¹ B, H omit.

¹⁴² A omits these three words.

¹⁴³ H omits.

¹⁴⁴ H מוכה. ¹⁴⁵ B העיון.

the Law and the Prophets attribute corporeality to God. Such phrases as "in our image, after our likeness," may occur to thee; or the texts in which face and back, hands and feet are ascribed to God.⁶⁰ Understand that there is an explanation for all this, which must not be taken literally. But how canst thou realize it, while thou art a boy of twelve? For thou wilt find the explanation in the *Guide*,⁶¹ and I have already directed thee not to study that work till thou art twenty. But in the freshness of thy childhood, and while the dew of thy young manhood is as the dew of light,⁶² observe my commandments and live! Believe, as a tradition from me, that these matters can all be explained, that, in verity, unto God one cannot attribute body or bodily qualities or plurality of any kind, exalted as He is above all material and all angelic beings.

How all this is true, what is its significance, lo! as thou knewest not in the hour of thy entrance into the world, so thou wilt not know it until thou art twenty and over. Then wilt thou rise to this all-important knowledge, then wilt thou enter within the precincts of Pleasure and Delight, the Paradise of all dainty fruits, eating unto satisfaction of the Tree of Life, for as Solomon said of Wisdom: "She is a tree of life to them that lay hold of her, and happy is everyone that holdeth her fast."⁶³

sarily unanimous or true expressions of Jewish opinion was strongly maintained by Nahmanides in his famous Disputation. ⁶⁰ Gen. 1. 25; Exod. 33.25, 34. 10; I Chron. 21.13.

⁶¹ See the opening chapters of Part I.

⁶² Isa. 26.19.

⁶³ Prov. 3.18.

והנביאים שהם מיחסים לאל גשמות. באמרו בצלמנו כדמותנו. וכן יחסו לו פנים ואחור וידיים ורגלים וכל הדומה לזה? דע כי לכל זה פירוש ואינו כפשוטו: אבל איך תוכל לדעת כל זה בהיותך בן שנים עשרה שנה:¹⁴⁶ כי פירוש כל זה תמצא בס' המורה. וכבר צויתך שלא תעיין בורק אחר שתהיה בן עשרים שנה: אמנם בטל ילדותך או בטל אורות טלך בימי בחורותיך שמור מצותי וחיה! האמן בקבלה ממני כי לכל זה פירוש. והאמת הוא שאין לאל גשמות או יחוס גשמות או רבוי בשום צד. והוא נעלה¹⁴⁷ מכל גשם ומלאך:

אמנם איך כל זה אמת ומה כונת זה. הנה כמו שלא ידעתו¹⁴⁸ ביום צאתך מבטן אמך. כן לא תדעהו עד היותך בן עשרים שנה ומעלה. אז תעלה לזאת הידיעה הנכבדת. ותכנס לפני ולפנים בגן העדון והעונג. פרדס¹⁴⁹ כל פרי מגדים. ואכלת ושבעת מפרי עץ החיים כמו שאמר שלמה על החכמה. עץ חיים היא למחזיקים בה ותמכיה מאשר:

¹⁴⁶ B, H add או בן עשרים שנה.

¹⁴⁷ A, L דע, וכי הוא נכבד ונעלה. ¹⁴⁸ A, L דע.

¹⁴⁹ A, L לפנים בגן עדן ותענג בפרדס עם.

CHAPTER XIX

And as I have bidden thee, my son! to maintain from thy birth this supreme faith—the faith of Abraham thy first father,—refusing to attach to God the idea of body, so I command thee to hold through life to the trust that after thy death thou wilt be found worthy of the future life, where nothing bodily is. Thou wilt be as an angel of the Lord of Hosts, a brother and comrade of the other Angels there! What good or profit, what happiness or delight, is comparable to this? Yet mayest thou after thy death attain to this level of good, if thou hast in thy earthly life won for thy soul all that I have commanded. As our honored Sages in their figurative style said, “He who toils on Friday shall eat on Saturday,”⁶⁴ or again: “Hasten, thou wise, and eat; hasten and drink, for the world to come is like a marriage feast.”⁶⁵

CHAPTER XX

Dost thou ask how this is? Again my son, know that this is beyond thy capacity until thou art twenty, and canst turn thy mind to metaphysical investigations, among them the holy *Guide*. Then wilt thou see this in a light as clear as the sunshine. But till then trust and

⁶⁴ T. B. ‘Abodah Zarah 3.

⁶⁵ T. B. ‘Erubin 54a. This is not the usual reading. The ordinary text advocates making the most of the ephemeral present.

פרק יט

כאשר צויתך בני להיות כל ימי חיך מלידה ומבטן ומהריון בזאת¹⁵⁰ האמונה הנכבדת. אמונת אברהם אביך הראשון. והוא העדר כל גשמות מהשם. כן אצוך להיות כל ימך להאמין שאחרי מותך תזכה לחיי העולם הבא. ויהיה שם העדר כל גשמות. ותהיה¹⁵¹ כמלאך ה' צבאות. אח וריע¹⁵² עם יתר המלאכים אשר שם. ומה יש טובה והנאה ועדון ושמחה ועונג זולת זה? אך תזכה למעלה העליונה והגבוהה מזה הטוב אחרי מותך. אם זכית בחיך לקנות לנפשך כל אשר צויתך. כמו שאמרו רבותינו המכובדים במשליהם. מי שטרח בערב שבת יאכל בשבת. ואמרו שינא חטוף ואכול חטוף ושתה דהאי עלמא דאתי לבי¹⁵³ הלולא דמיא:

פרק כ

כי תאמר איך זה? דע בני כי לא תוכל לדעת גם את זה עד היותך בן עשרים שנה ותשים עיונך¹⁵⁴ באלהיות שמכללם ספר המורה הקדוש. ואז תדע זה ברור כשמש. ואולם בין האי ובין האי ראוי לך

¹⁵⁰ A, L על זאת.

¹⁵¹ B, A, H אבל תהיה.

¹⁵² B, H omit.

¹⁵³ B, H דכי L כבי.

¹⁵⁴ L עיניך.

lean on me. I am thy surety, my son, that if thou dost fulfil all my behests, thou wilt after thy death reach the highest degree of good appointed unto us for the world to come, and the expression "after death" will be only a figure of speech, and when thy house-hold think thee dead, then wilt thou be truly alive. As our Sages say: "The righteous in their death are called living."⁶⁶ Sufficient is it for thee to be inspired now with this glorious hope of the hereafter, when thou wilt be delivered from the diseases which befall thee in this world; there no bodily pains will wrack, nor faculties decay; there slumber will not be heavy on thine eyes, nor thy nostrils suffer from assail of noisome smoke; there, wilt thou behold thy sons and daughters, with all those near and dear unto thee, partaking of the banquet in joy. And what, my son, canst thou desire more than this?

CHAPTER XXI

"The end of the matter, all having been heard: fear God and keep His commandments."⁶⁷ This term, "His commandments", embraces those that concern conduct and those that concern thought; neither must be omitted, but each ful-

⁶⁶ T. B. Berakot 19.

⁶⁷ Eccles. 12.13.

שתאמין ב¹⁵⁵ ותבטח ותשען עלי: ובכלל אני ערב
 לך בני. כי אם תעשה כל מה שצויתך תשיג אחרי
 מותך אל היותר טוב מן המדרגות היעודות לנו
 לעה"ב עד שאחרי מותך הוא על דרך העברה
 אבל כשתחשוב או כשיחשבו בני ביתך שתמות אז
 תחיה. וכן אמרו רבותינו המכובדים צדיקים
 במיתתם נקראים חיים: והנה רב לך היום שאתה¹⁵⁶
 בזה התוחלת הנכבדה לעולם הבא. ואז תנצל
 מכל המכאובים המוצאים אותך בעולם הזה. כי
 אז בטנך לא תאכל ומעיך לא תמלא פרש רעי
 וזבל וקיא ומוגלא. או לחה מוראה ונגאלה ולא
 יכאבו לך עינים וברכים. ולא תצטרך לעביט
 של מימי רגלים. ולא תנום ולא תישן. ולא יעלה
 באפך ריח רע ועשן. ושם¹⁵⁷ תראה בניך ובנותיך
 אוכלים ושמחים ויתר הקרובים והאחים. ומה
 תבקש עוד בני?

פרק כא

סוף דבר הכל נשמע את האלהים ירא ואת
 מצותיו שמור! והנה בכלל מצותיו הן המצות
 המעשיות והמצות העיוניות. אחת מהנה לא נעדרה

¹⁵⁵ So H adds.

¹⁵⁶ H שמחה.

¹⁵⁷ H משם.

filled in the manner fit for each. This is the significance of the declaration of our fathers: "We will do and we will hear."⁶⁸ It is a deliberate, precise declaration, the reverse of hasty and confused as the heretic cited in the Talmud⁶⁹ pronounced it! For the two verbs "do" and "hear" are not illogically ordered, but refer to two different things. For when the word of Moses came before them, enjoining precepts of action and of mind, the people answered concerning all, "All that the Lord hath spoken we will do and hear." The term "do" applies to the practical precepts, and comes first; the term "hear" applies to the precepts involving the mind, and comes second. For practical precepts are incumbent at an earlier moment, while the others require for their understanding and fulfilment the examination of their proofs.

And this is obvious. For a child is first taught rules of conduct, among them the use of language. Thus our Sages say⁷⁰: the father teaches his son: "Moses commanded a law", "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One." That is, he initiates and teaches him to say this in Hebrew.⁷¹ So, he teaches him to don the fringed garments and to pray; and similarly with the other practical precepts. But the acceptance by the heart, which is true knowledge, will come to thee, my son, after thy twentieth year, if God so will, though it may not come to others till they be past

⁶⁸ Exod. 24.7.

⁶⁹ T. B. Ketubot, 112a; T. B. Shabbat 88a.

⁷⁰ T. B. Sukkah 44.

⁷¹ Some versions omit "in Hebrew".

כפי הראוי לכל אחת. וזה הלשון הוא מאמר
 אבותינו נעשה ונשמע! והוא מאמר מדוקדק. הפך
 שסבר ההוא מינאה עד שקראנו עמא פזיזא¹⁵⁸.
 שחשב ששני אלו העניינים היו על נושא אחד. ואינו
 כן. אכן הוא על שני נושאים. וזה כי באשר קדם
 דבר¹⁵⁹ משה אליהם בצווי מצות מעשיות ועיוניות
 מאת ה'. ענו הם על הכל. כל אשר דבר ה' נעשה
 ונשמע: והקדימו נעשה על המעשיות לנשמע¹⁶⁰ על
 העיוניות הלביות. כי המעשיות קודמות בזמן
 לעיוניות שידיעתם ושמועתם הוא בלימוד המופתים:
 וזה מבואר. כי הנער יחונך תחלה במעשיות
 שבכללם הם הלשוניות. וכן אמרו חז"ל אביו
 מלמדו תורה צוה לנו. ושמע ישראל ה' אלהינו
 ה' אחד. כלומר יחנכהו וילמדהו שיאמר¹⁶¹ זה
 בלשון הקודש¹⁶². וכן יתעטף בציצית ויתפלל.
 ובכלל המצות המעשיות: אבל שמיעת הלב שהוא
 הידיעה האמיתית¹⁶³ כמו שקדם לנו זה יהיה לך
 בני אחר עשרים שנה ברצון ה' ואולי לזולתך אחר

הפך מה שסיפר ההוא B, H read פחיואה. ¹⁵⁸ L reads אינש...פזיזא. ¹⁵⁹ B, H כבר. ¹⁶⁰ in B, H, A, L. ונשמע.

¹⁶¹ H לומר for those 3 words. ¹⁶² B, H omit.

¹⁶³ H omits.

forty or fifty. In any case, this kind of knowledge, the acceptance and realization of truth by the intellect, belongs to those inner duties which can only be fulfilled by a man in his maturity. Therefore the declaration: "we will do and we will hear" included the two parts of perfection, our laws which are the perfection of the two parts of the soul—the practical and the rational. And thou, my son! wilt have rest, and wilt reach the place of thy destiny at the end of days. May God hold thee worthy of a life of felicity in this world and the next. Amen and amen!

[Ended is the Book of Admonition, called "A Guide to Knowledge". Thanks be to God, who stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain!]⁷²

[Ibn Kaspi thy father wrote this, in the month of Elul, in the year 92 of the sixth thousand (1332), in the city of Valencia].

[From thy yearning after thy silver comes thy wrath!

Never does this care leave thee, till it make an end of thee!

Yet, will it be thy comrade when thou goest to thy grave?

Or will it be a help unto thee in the distress that then befalls?]⁷³

⁷² See notes to Hebrew text for the authorities which contain or omit this and the next two paragraphs.

⁷³ There are several puns in the Hebrew which could not be reproduced in an English version.

ארבעים שנה או חמשים שנה: ובכלל על כל פנים
השמיעה בלב ובשכל כמו שהוא מונח בעברי
בכמה מקומות על הציור השכל כראוי¹⁶⁴. הנה
יהיה זה במצות הלביות העיוניות אחר זמן רב
כשיגדל האדם: ובכלל היה אמרם נעשה ונשמע
כולל שני חלקי שלמות. המצות שלנו שהם שלמות
שני חלקי הנפש. רצוני המעשי והעיוני. ואתה תנוח
ותעמוד לגורלך לקץ הימין. והשם יזכך בני לחיים
טובים בעולם הזה ובעולם הבא אמן ואמן:

נשלם ספר המוסר הנקרא יורה דעה.

תהלה לאל ית' נוטה שמים כיריעה:¹⁶⁵

וכתב זה אבן כספי אביך. חדש אלול שנת
תשעים ושתיים לפרט האלף הששי למנין. בעיר
ולנסיא¹⁶⁶

מִכְסָּפָה אֶל־כְּסָפָה הֵן קִצְפָּה!
בְּסַעֲיָפָה לֹא יִרְפָּה עַד יֵאָסְפָה!
הִיחְבְּרָה יוֹם עֲבָרָה אֶל קִבְרָה?
אוֹ שִׁבְרָה אֶל שִׁבְרָה כִּי יִקְרָה?¹⁶⁷

¹⁶⁴ A, L הראוי.

¹⁶⁵ B, H omit.

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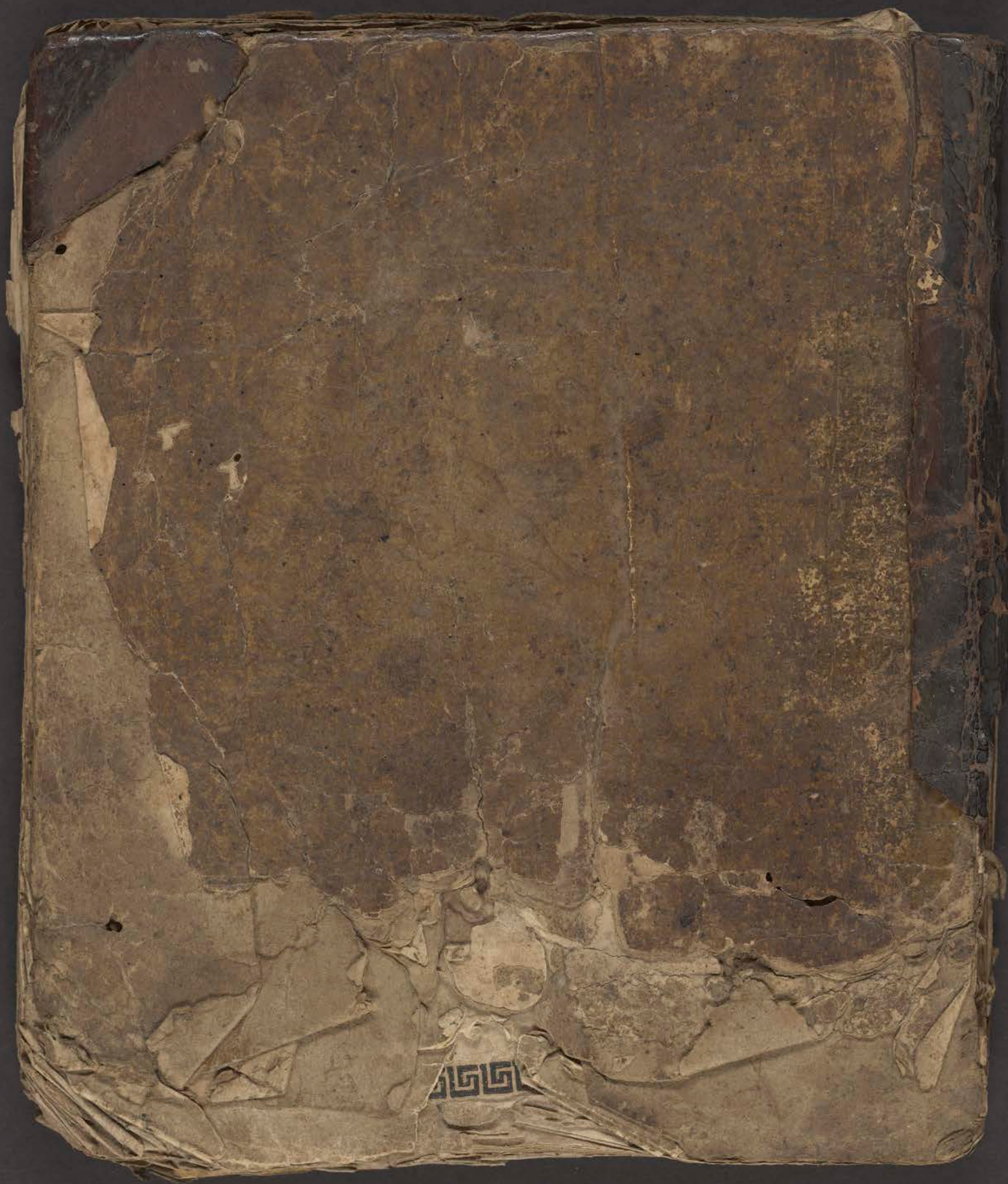
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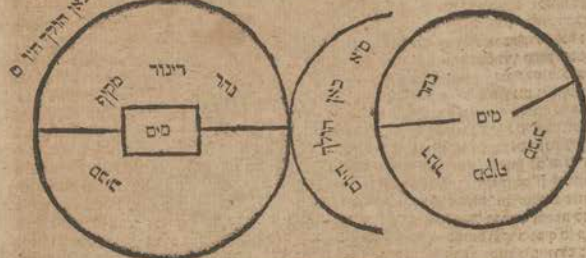
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FOREWORD

I wish to express my appreciation to the University of Alberta for the research grant which made the work on this text possible and to Joan Paton, Rhoda Zuk, and Gerane West who assisted in the preparation of the manuscript. Helpful suggestions concerning translation and understanding were received from Harold W. Attridge, Theodore H. Gaster and Roy David Kotansky. Their ideas and suggestions have been incorporated into the text. Most of all I would like to thank Morton Smith, who undertook a detailed review of the translation and whose knowledge and insight made it possible.

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INTRODUCTION

In 1963, while studying Kabbalistic texts at Oxford, Mordecai Margalioth happened upon a Genizah fragment which gave a magical praxis to assist one in winning at the racetrack. Recalling similar formulas from the Genizah collection and elsewhere, he began a detailed study of the preserved fragments of magical literature. He postulated that these fragments may have all come from a common source which could be reconstructed. His research led to the publication of Sepher Ha-Razim in 1966.

The published text is eclectic. No single document available to Margalioth contained all of the material which was to appear in the final text. Enough was available, however, that he felt confident that he had successfully reconstructed a magical handbook from the early Talmudic period. Since its publication, SHR has proven a valuable source of information for studies pertaining to magic in antiquity and for studies relating to Jewish life in the first centuries CE.

Margalioth was an excellent textual scholar. Even though additional texts have come to light since the publication of SHR, his original work is an exceptional piece of scholarship which demands wider circulation and use among scholars interested in the Judaisms of the Hellenistic age. No doubt a re-editing of SHR is needed in the future. For the present, I hope the scholarly community will find this annotated translation of the Margalioth text a valuable tool for further study.

A. THE MANUSCRIPTS

Codices

There were seven major codices available to Margalioth for the preparation of his text. Each of them contained significant portions of what was to become SHR.

1. פ - The Kaufman manuscript in the Oriental Library of the Hungarian Academy in Budapest. No. 224, pp. 41-63.
2. נ - Jewish Theological Seminary Manuscript Library, JTSL no. 163, p. 15A to p. 48B.
3. ט - Jewish Theological Seminary Manuscript Library, JTSL no. N.014, p. 8B to p. 28B.
4. ד - The Florence Manuscript in the Library Medicea Laurenziana, no. Plut. 44.13, p. 107B to p. 118A.
5. A manuscript in the National Library, Jerusalem, Heb. 8° 476, p. 69B to p. 81B.
6. Schocken Manuscript, Schocken Library, Jerusalem, Kabbalah Manuscript 3. This is a copy of the Florence manuscript.
7. ב - Jewish Theological Seminary Manuscript Library, JTSL no. N.012, pp. 1-24.

Of these seven manuscripts Margalioth used only the five marked with Hebrew letter designations. All of the first six are arranged similarly and are bound together with Maseket Hekhaloth, Maaseh Bereshit, and Shiur Komah. They all contain similar omissions, both accidental and deliberate, by the scribes. Ms. 1 (פ) seems to be the superior version, often completing words and sentences which are omitted in the other versions. It is the most precise and appears to contain the fewest distortions. Mss. 5 and 6 contained no material of special significance and were not used. Ms. 7 (ב) is an expanded and elaborated version. Its editor states that it was produced from two documents, a shorter Hebrew text and an expanded

Latin translation. The lists of angelic names in this version are more extensive than in the others. The text alternates languages and gives both versions in places. In addition, Margalioth (Sepher, 50-51) lists four manuscripts which were not available to him.

Hebrew Genizah Fragments

The following fragments are designated λ.

1. Oxford MS. Heb. C. 18/30:

One parchment page containing nineteen lines on each side. The beginning letters of each line on side one and the concluding letters of each line on side two--from the middle of the page to the bottom--are mutilated.
Content: The beginning of SHR to 1:6.

4. Cambridge T-S K 1/97:

One small paper page containing twenty lines on both sides. Content: 1:13-54.

10. Cambridge T-S K 1/145:

Two large paper pages which are mutilated on all four sides, partially illegible, and torn. The remainder has thirty-six/thirty-seven lines per side.
Content: 2:100-4:47.

14. Cambridge T-S K 21/95, fragment 2:

One small paper page containing twenty lines on side one only. Content: 7:1-9.

The following fragments are designated λλ.

2. Adler JTSL ENA 2750, pp. 4-5.

Two small pages containing seventeen lines on each side--torn and often illegible. Content: P:1-1:1.

6. Cambridge T-S N.S. 135:

One page containing twenty-one lines on each side--torn and often illegible. Content: 1:47-71.

11. Cambridge T-S K 1/102:

One page containing twenty-one lines on each side.
Content: 3:15-46.

12. Cambridge T-S K 1/13:

One page containing twenty lines on side one and seventeen lines on side two. Content: 4:8-30.

The following fragments are designated 2λ.

3. Cambridge T-S K 21/95:

One parchment page containing twenty-two lines on side one and twenty-four lines on side two. Content: P:10-1:18.
Similar to 1λ #1.

13. Cambridge T-S N.S. 246/26:

One page containing sixteen-seventeen lines per side but some lines are missing from the top of the page.
Content: 4:29-52.

The following fragments are designated 1.

5. Cambridge T-S K 1/98:

One parchment page containing twenty-six lines on each side. The beginning lines on side one and the concluding lines on side two are mutilated. Content: 1:17/65.

7. Oxford MS. Heb. D. 62/50:

One page mutilated diagonally from the top of the page through line 5. Side two is illegible. Content: 2:30-76.

9. Leningrad Antonine Collection No. 238:

One parchment page. Content: 2:30-76.

The following fragment received no designation:

8. Adler JTSL ENA 2673/23.

One paper page, badly mutilated. Content: 1:237-2:25.

The Arabic Fragments

There are ten arabic fragments which were found by Margalioth in the Genizah material. They are designated γ or λγ where they are duplicates.

1. Oxford MS. Heb. f.45:

Eighteen parchment pages and by far the most important of the Arabic Fragments. Content: 1:6-2:8.

2. Oxford MS. Heb. e. 67/32-33:

Two pages. Content: 1:1-18.

3. Cambridge T-S Arabic 31/183:

One page. Content: 1:1-100.

4. Cambridge T-S Arabic 43/260.

5. Cambridge T-S N.S. 298/72:
Two pages torn at the top and missing some sections in the middle. Begins with 2:204.
6. Cambridge T-S Arabic 43/84:
Two pages. Page one begins with 2:130 and page two begins with 4:10.
7. Dropsie College, Philadelphia, Genizah Collection no. 437.
One very torn parchment page. Begins with 4:10.
8. Cambridge T-S Arabic 45/12:
One page beginning at 3:51, and then omitting the fourth firmament and continuing with the fifth firmament.
9. Cambridge T-S Arabic 33/9:
One parchment page beginning with the last line of the third firmament (3:58) and continuing with the fifth firmament.
10. Cambridge T-S Arabic 43/223:
One page beginning with 4:38.

Latin Translation

The Latin translation is titled Liber Razielis Angeli and is found in the Senate Library in Leipzig, Codex Latinus No. 745. Margalioth did not receive a copy of this manuscript until after the type had been set for the Hebrew edition. Consequently he refers to only a few places in it. Unlike the Arabic, the Latin is a free translation and adaptation which has been greatly expanded. Of the Hebrew codices, it is closest to D, whose editor claims to have used a Latin version.

Other Sources

Margalioth drew heavily upon many medieval collections of magical spells and formulas which he felt were descended from his postulated original. The most important of these are:

1. Sepher Raziel, Amsterdam 1701. Siglum: 7.
2. Sepher Raziel, manuscripts and fragments. cf. Margalioth, Sepher, 44f.

3. Sepher Kamay ^cot, JTSL 2272. Siglum: n.
4. Sepher Kamay ^cot, fragments. cf. Margalioth, Sepher, 51.
5. Mafteach Shlomo, Facsimile Oxford 1914. Siglum: n.
6. Sepher Ha-Malbush, Kaufman 245. Siglum: b.

A visual representation of the eclectic nature of the text can be found on the chart produced by Niggemeyer, Beschwörungsformeln, between pages 18 and 19.

B. STRUCTURE

The text of SHR is divided into seven unequal sections preceeded by a preface which contains a description of the book's transmission and functions. Before the flood, it was presented by the angel Raziel to Noah who used it as a guide. After the flood it was passed down through the Biblical generations to Solomon.

The structure of the seven heavens reflects the fairly common cosmology known from Jewish circles during the Hellenistic age. It has close parallels to Talmudic passages, the Enoch literature, and the Hekhaloth literature. The heavens are divided as follows:

1. The first firmament has seven separate encampments. Each encampment is ruled by an angelic overseer who has numerous angels listed as serving him.
2. The second firmament is divided into twelve steps or levels. Each has between nine and twenty angels who can be called upon.
3. The third firmament is ruled by three angels. Each has a troop of angels which serve him.
4. The fourth firmament is divided between thirty-one angelic princes and their encampments who lead the sun during the day and thirty-one angelic princes and their encampments who lead the sun during the night.

5. The fifth firmament is ruled by twelve princes of glory who represent the twelve months of the year.
6. The sixth firmament is divided between an eastern overlord who rules twenty-eight angelic leaders and their encampments and a western overlord who rules thirty-one angelic leaders and their encampments.
7. The seventh firmament is a description of the divine throne followed by a long doxology.

Each firmament, except the seventh, and each subdivision is described as to its nature and function. For each subdivision there is a magical praxis described which can be initiated by calling upon the angels listed in that subdivision and by following the prescribed rites. With few exceptions, the magical praxis will reflect the descriptions of either the angels or the heaven itself. The rules of sympathy and contagion are clearly in evidence.

With minor exceptions, this is an outline of the over all structure of any given subdivision.

I. A description of the firmament followed by

A. A description of the subdivision and its usage organized thus:

1. Names of the angels of the subdivision
2. Description of the angels and their function
3. The purpose these angels can be made to serve
4. The procedures to be followed in preparation
5. The invocation to be spoken to initiate the praxis (in some cases this has been lost)
6. In some cases, additional actions and/or invocations to assist, alter, or reverse the magical praxis

A fine analysis of the form and style of these incantations and invocations has been done by Niggemeyer, Beschwörungsformeln, 63-118.

C. DATE

Dating an eclectic text is difficult at best. The consensus of those scholars who have worked with the text is to support Margalioth's dating of SHR to the early fourth or late third century CE.¹

The reasons generally listed for this are:

1. The reference to the Roman indictions in 1:27-28 (cf. Margalioth, Sepher, 24) gives a clear terminus a quo of 297 CE.
2. The majority of the text is written in a pure midrashic Hebrew which reflects the period.
3. Many of the Greek words found in the text are technical terms used in the magical praxeis of that period.
4. The spells and incantations of SHR closely parallel the magical material preserved in the Greek magical papyri and in the Aramaic incantation bowls.
5. The forms of the adjurations are similar to material we know from the early Rabbinic literature.
6. The cosmological framework of the text reflects the Enoch and Hekhaloth literature of that period.

Although Margalioth's basic assumptions have gained the support of the majority of scholars, we must understand exactly what it is we are dating.

There are two different types of document here. The first is a cosmological framework which shows a marked similarity with the hekhaloth literature. The second is a collection of unrelated magical praxeis which show a marked similarity to the materials preserved in PGM. Chen Merchavya (JE 13, 1594-95) implies that the praxeis were woven into the descriptions of the angels and the

¹A notable exception to the consensus is Ithamar Gruenwald, (Apocalyptic, 226), who dates the work to sixth or seventh century.

heavens. This would make the cosmological framework the primary document. Surely the reverse is true. Gruenwald points out the SHR should not be classed as hekhalot literature despite its similarity. The magical praxeis are the primary source.

It seems to me more likely that the magical praxeis have been provided with a cosmological framework intended to make them appear as legitimate Jewish practices. Thus the formulas, spells, and incantations presumably existed prior to their present form. The use of Greek and Aramaic words is limited to the actual praxeis. The language of those sections is simple and straightforward. It lacks the flowery descriptive wording and the Biblical quotations of the cosmological framework. The only exception to this lies in the long adjurations of the latter firmaments and these hardly seem part of the original praxeis themselves. SHR has a cosmology which concerns itself in great detail with Jewish ritual purity, but praxeis which demand we eat cakes made from blood and flour. We have a framework which speaks of the glory of YHWH, but praxeis which offer prayers to Helios, and invoke Hermes and Aphrodite. We should indeed date SHR to the early fourth century CE but it is crucial to recognize that what fascinates us most about this text, the magic, is part of a folk tradition which dates from an earlier time. For example, the idol used to quell a rising river in 2:115ff. is clearly one which the Rabbis in Avodah Zarah 3:1 forbid Jews to make or possess. Since the Rabbis found it necessary to ban the image, one must assume that it was in popular use prior to the Mishnah's compilation. In dating SHR we are not dating the antiquity of the praxeis themselves.

Just as we cannot date an eclectic text by reference to any one section, so we cannot determine its origin by any one section. Even a number of references will afford no more than a list of possibilities. It is far too easy to be led to a conclusion, for example, that SHR is of Egyptian-Jewish origin. The oldest fragments were preserved there. The passage of the sun to the East via the North reflects Egyptian mythology. The use of hieratic papyrus was a sign of the Egyptian priesthood's magical rites. The listing of the descent through the mother was a common Egyptian practice and of course the Roman indictions point to a possible Alexandrian origin. Most compelling, however, is the close similarity between the material preserved in SHR and that of PGM.

Such a listing is persuasive until objectively analyzed. That an Egyptian Jewish scribal community preserved the text is no argument for its authorship. The sun's passage is part of other folklores and was surely a common theme in the ancient world. Hieratic papyrus was known as a magical tool outside of Egypt. Descent through the mother was a popular aphorism of the Greco-Roman world as well as a basis for Jewish legal definitions and serves in SHR to insure the effectiveness of the praxis. The indictions were used throughout the Roman world and could easily have been part of a document written in Constantinople. That there are close similarities between SHR and PGM is surely of interest but close similarities also exist between SHR and the incantation bowls of Syria. Furthermore, that PGM was found only in Egypt merely points out how fortunate we are that Egypt's climate is so well suited for preserving such material.

Magic was the common property of the people of the Greco-Roman world. The praxeis could have arisen in any part of that world and have been initially preserved in any part of that world. To attempt to locate a single place of origin would be futile.

Furthermore, we should not attempt to place the magical praxeis of SHR within any specific group. The praxeis are part of the popular religion of the age. Jews who could place a mosaic of Helios on their synagogue floors certainly could not have found it strange to offer invocations to that same god. On the other hand, SHR has clearly undergone editing at the hands of more "traditionally" or rabbinically oriented scribes. We can sense the tensions between a developing orthodoxy and a popular religion here. SHR is a fine example of the syncretistic nature of the Hellenistic world.

D. THE TRANSLATION

A translation either can be literal, to render the exact words of the Hebrew, or can be paraphrastic to catch the meaning. This translation contains elements of both sorts. Its purpose is to convey the meaning in each case as clearly as possible. Parentheses have been used to set off words and phrases which are not found in the Hebrew text, but are either implied, understood, or needed to create a readable translation.

I have attempted to follow the Margalioth text as closely as possible. When a different reading is offered it is so footnoted. The technical Greek terms and prayers have been translated in the text and footnoted.

The angelic lists presented a special problem. There was so much conjecture involved in creating these lists in transliterated form that I opted, for the sake of consistency and accuracy, to produce the lists without the speculative vocalization. For those who find this an unsatisfactory solution, I have provided the Hebrew lists in Appendix I.

Hebrew/English equivalents for the text are as follows:

' = א	L = ל
B = ב	M = מ
G = ג	N = נ
D = ד	S = ס
H = ה	C = כ
W = ו	P = פ
Z = ז	Ş = ש
Ḣ = ח	Q = ק
Ṫ = ט	R = ר
Y = י	Š = שׁ
K = כ	T = ת

E. ABBREVIATIONS AND SHORT TITLES

DMP	Francis L. Griffith, <u>The Demotic Magical Papyrus</u> , London: H. Grevel & Co., 1904.
Ginzberg, <u>Legends</u>	Louis Ginzberg, <u>Legends of the Jews</u> , Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1937.
Goodenough, <u>Symbols</u>	Erwin R. Goodenough, <u>Jewish Symbols in the Greco-Roman Period</u> , New York: Pantheon Books, 1953-1968.
Gruenwald, <u>Apocalyptic</u>	Ithamar Gruenwald, <u>Apocalyptic and Merkavah Mysticism</u> , Leiden: E. J. Brill, 1980.
Jastrow, <u>Dictionary</u>	Marcus Jastrow, <u>A Dictionary of the Targumim The Talmud Babli and Yerushalmi and the Midrashic Literature</u> , New York: The Judaica Press, 1971.
JE	<u>Jewish Encyclopaedia</u> , Jerusalem: Keter Publishing Ltd., 1972.
Margalioth, <u>Sepher</u>	Mordecai Margalioth, <u>Sepher Ha-Razim</u> , Jerusalem: Yediot Achronot, 1966.
Niggemeyer, <u>Beschwörungsformeln</u>	J. H. Niggemeyer, <u>Beschwörungsformeln aus dem Buch der Geheimnisse</u> , Hildersheim: Georg Olms Verlag, 1975.
PGM	Karl Preisendanz, <u>Papyri Graecae Magicae</u> , Leipzig: B. G. Teubner, vol. I 1928, vol. II 1931. Quoted by papyrus and line number.
SHR	<u>Sepher Ha-Razim</u>

SIGLA

- ⲕ JTSL no. 163. See p. 2.
- ⲓ JTSL no. N. 014. See p. 2.
- ⲗ Geniza fragments. See pp. 3-4.
- ⲓⲥ Sepher Raziel. See p. 5.
- ⲛ Sepher KamayCot. See p. 6.
- ⲛ Mafteach Shlomo. See p. 6.
- ⲥ Sepher Ha-Malbush. See p. 6.
- ⲓ Geniza fragments. See p. 4.
- Ⲕ JTSL no. N. 012. See p. 2.
- ⲥ Arabic fragments. See p. 4.
- ⲥ Florence MS Laurenziana, no Plut. 44.13. See p. 2.
- ⲥ Kaufman. MS. See p.2.

SEEPHER HA-RAZIM

TRANSLATION

(PREFACE)

This is a book, from the Books of the Mysteries, which was given to Noah, the son of Lamech, the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mehallalel, the son of Kenan, the son of Enosh, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, by Raziel the angel in the year¹ when he came into the ark (but) before his entrance.

And (Noah) inscribed it upon a sapphire stone² very distinctly.³ And he learned from it how to do wondrous deeds, and (he learned) secrets of knowledge, and categories of
5 understanding and thoughts of humility and concepts of counsel, (how) to master the investigation of the strata of the heavens, to go about in all that is in their seven abodes, to observe all the astrological signs, to examine the course of the sun, to explain the observations of the moon, and to know the paths of the Great Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades,⁴ to declare the names of the overseers of each and every firmament and the realms of their authority, and by what means they (can be made to) cause success in each thing (asked of them), and what are the names of their attendants and what (oblations) are to be

¹Ms. א reads בשעה but "hour" is probably incorrect, as "hour" could be taken to imply the exact moment and to contradict the sense of לפני .

²Cf. Ginzberg, Legends, 1.157, 5.179.

³Cf. Deut 27:8

⁴Cf. Job 9:9; Amos 5:8.

poured out to them, and what is the proper time (at which they
10 will hear prayer,⁵ so as) to perform every wish of anyone
(who comes) near them in purity. (Noah learned) from it
rituals (that cause) death and rituals (that preserve) life, to
understand the evil and the good, to search out (the right)
seasons and moments (for magical rites), to know the time to
give birth and the time to die, the time to strike and the time
to heal,⁶ to interpret dreams and visions, to arouse combat,
and to quiet wars, and to rule over spirits and over demons, to
send them (wherever you wish) so they will go out like slaves,⁷
15 to watch the four winds of the earth, to be learned in the
speech of thunderclaps, to tell the significance of lightning
flashes, to foretell what will happen in each and every month,
and to know the affairs of each and every year, whether for
plenty or for hunger, whether for harvest or for draught,
whether for peace or for war, to be as one of the awesome ones
and to comprehend the songs of heaven.

And from the wisdom of the secrets of this book, Noah
learned and understood how to make gopher wood (into) an ark
20 and to hide from the torrent of the flood waters, to bring (the
animals) with him two by two and seven by seven, to take in
some of every kind of food and every kind of provender. And he
placed (the book) in a golden cabinet and brought it first into

⁵Literally "it (prayer) will be heard by them."

⁶Cf. Eccl 3:2,3.

⁷Cf. Job 38:35.

the ark, to learn from it the times of the day and to investigate from it the times of the night, and in which period he should arise to pour out entreaties. And when he came forth from the ark, he used (the book) all the days of his life, and at the time of his death he handed it down to Abraham,⁸ and Abraham to Isaac, and Isaac to Jacob, and Jacob to Levi, and
 25 Levi to Kohath, and Kohath to Amram, and Amram to Moses, and Moses to Joshua, and Joshua to the elders, and the elders to the prophets, and the prophets to the sages,⁹ and thus generation by generation until Solomon the King arose. And the Books of the Mysteries were disclosed to him and he became very learned in books of understanding, and (so) ruled over everything he desired, over all the spirits and the demons that wander in the world, and from the wisdom of this book he imprisoned and released, and sent out and brought in, and built and prospered.¹⁰ For many books were handed down to him, but this one was found more precious and more honorable and more
 30 difficult than any of them. Happy the eye that will behold

⁸Mss. D and 7 insert Shem into the chronology.

⁹Cf. Pirke Avoth 1:1. This genealogy is similar to the Avot tradition but it puts Solomon the King after the prophets and the sages. Since they should follow Solomon, it seems that an original genealogy ending with Solomon (probably after "elders") has been interpolated by an editor who wanted to claim knowledge of these secrets for the rabbis. Evidence for such an insertion is important because it casts some doubt on other Rabbinic elements in the text, and because of the fact that a Rabbinic editor left the pagan elements stand, illustrates an unfamiliar side of Rabbinic Judaism.

¹⁰Cf. Ginzberg, Legends, 4.149-154, 165-169; Josephus, Antiquities, 8.2.5, #45-49.

it. Happy the ear that listens attentively to its wisdom.

For in it are the seven firmaments and all that is in them.

From their encampments we shall learn to comprehend all things,
and to have success in every deed, to think and to act from the
wisdom of this book.

(THE FIRST FIRMAMENT)

The name of the first firmament is called *Shamayim*.¹

Within it are encampments filled with wrath. And seven thrones are prepared there and upon them are seated overseers, and around them on all sides encampments (of angels) are stationed and are obedient to men at the time when they practice (magic), to everyone who has learned to stand and pour (libations) to their names and cite them by their signs² at the period when (prayer) is heard (so as) to make a magical rite succeed.

(Over) all these encampments of angels these seven overseers rule, to dispatch (them) for every (sort of) business so that they will hasten and bring success.

These are the names of the seven overseers who sit upon (the) seven thrones: the name of the first is 'WRPNY'L, and the name of the second is TYGRH, and the name of the third is DNHL, and the name of the fourth is KLMYY', the name of the fifth is 'SYMWR, the name of the sixth is PSKR, the name of the seventh is BW'L. And all of them were created from fire and their appearance is like fire, and their fire is blazing, for from fire they emerged.

And without permission, (the angels who serve them)³ do not go out to engage in magical actions. (They wait) until a command comes to them from (one of) the seven overseers, the

¹*Shamayim* is the common Hebrew word for heaven or sky.

²Or perhaps "by their letters (of their names)."

³Inserted by Ms. 7 (Sefer Raziel) and aids the translation.

occupants of the thrones, who rule over them. For they are subject to the will (of the overseers) and go about (only) with their permission. And each and every one of them goes to his work determined to act quickly in any affair on which he may be sent, whether for good or for evil, whether for superfluity or for shortage, whether for war or for peace. And all of them
15 are to be called by the names (given them) from the day they were created.

And these are the names of the seven encampments which serve the seven overseers (for each encampment serves one of the overseers).

And these are the names of the angels of the first
encampment who serve 'WRPNY'L:

	BWMDY	DMN'	'NWK'	'LPY
	'MWK	QTYBY'	PTRWPY	GMTY
20	P'WR	NRNTQ	RQHTY	'WRNH
	M'WT	PRWKH	'QYL'H	TRQWYH
	BRWQ	SHRWR'	'TNNY	GYL'N
	TKT	'RNWB	'SMY	YWSŠ
	KPWN	KRBY	GYRŠWM	PRY'N
	ŠSM ^c	'BB'	NTN'L	'R'L
	'NYP	TRW'WR	^c BDY'L	YWWN
	'LWN	MW'L	LLP	YHSPT
	RHGL	RWM'PY	YKTY	'RNY'L
	PWBWN	KDY'L	ZKRY'L	'GDLN
	MYG'L	G'WPR	KRTH	KYLDH
	DYGL	'LNW	TYRLY	SBLH
	'BY'L	'L	KSYL	SYQM
25	'ŠBH	YWTNH	R'LKH	HLY'N
	'PTY'L	TY'MY'L	'L'L	NTY'L
	'PYKH	TLGY'L	N ^c NH	'STY'L

These are the angels who are obedient in every matter
during the first and second year of the fifteen year cycle of
the reckoning of the Greek kings.⁴ If you wish to perform an

⁴Probably a reference to the Roman indictions. See Margalioth, Sepher 24. If we suppose that this reference to the use of indictions is by the government in Constantinople, then the terminus a quo for the cosmological framework is 312 C.E. The Egyptian dating would give us a terminus a quo of 297 C.E.

act of healing, arise in the first or second hour of the night
 30 and take with you⁵ myrrh and frankincense. This (is to be)
 put⁶ on burning coals (while saying) the name of the angel
 who rules over the first encampment, who is called 'WRPNY'L,
 and say there, seven times, (the names of the) seventy-two⁷
 angels who serve before him, and say as follows:

*I, N the son of N beseech you that you will
 give me success in healing N the son of N.*

And anyone for whom you ask, whether in writing or
 verbally, will be healed. Purify yourself from all impurity
 and cleanse your flesh from all carnality and then you will
 succeed.

⁵Literally, "in your hand."

⁶Margalioth suggests reading והוא נתון for והוא נותן. Possibly והוא ניתן.

⁷Ms. א refers to a list of only seventy names.

35 These are the names of the angels of the second encampment
who serve TYGRH:

	'KSTR	MRSWM	BRKYB	KMSW
	'STYB	KRYT'L	'DYR	GB'
	'QRB'	'NBWR	KBYR	TYLH
	BRYTWR	TRTM	NTPY'L	PRY'L
	TRWHWN	SLHBYN	'SLB'	MSTWB
	GRHT'	HGR'	'YTMY'L	HGL
	LGH	MNYTY'L	TNYMY'L	'YKRYT
	'BRYT'	RKYL'L	HSTK	PPTS
40	'STYRWP	'WDY'L	'SBYR	MLKY'L
	'RWS	DSWW'	HMK	TRGH
	ZMBWT	HSNYPLPT	SWW'	'SPWR
	'RQ	QNWMY'L	NHY'L	GDY'L
	'DQ	YMWY'L	PRWG	DHGY'L
	DGRY'L	'GRY'L	'RWNWR	DWNRNY'
	DLKT	TBL	TLY'L	'LY'L
	MWT'R	'LPY'L	PYTPR'	LPWM
	'WR	TMR	'DLY'L	'STWRYN
	'ZWY	'YSTWRTY	D'WBYT	BRGMY
	DMWY'L	DYGR'	'BYB'L	PRWTY'L
45	QWY'L	DGWGR'	DLGY'L	PDWTY'L

These are the angels who are full of anger and wrath⁸ and
who have been put in charge of every matter of combat and war
and are prepared to torment and torture a man to death. There

⁸Reading חמה instead of ח'מה.

is no mercy in them but they (wish) only to take revenge and to punish him who is delivered into their hands. And if you wish to send them against your enemy, or against your creditor, or to capsize a ship, or to fell a fortified wall,⁹ or against
 50 any business of your enemies, to damage and destroy, whether you desire to exile him, or to make him bedridden, or to blind him or to lame him,¹⁰ or to grieve him in any thing (do as follows): Take¹¹ water from seven springs on the seventh day of the month, in the seventh hour of the day, in seven unfired pottery vessels,¹² and do not mix them¹³ with one another. Expose
 55 them beneath the stars for seven nights; and on the seventh night take a glass vial,¹⁴ (and say over it) the name of your adversary, and pour the water (from the seven unfired pottery vessels) into it, then break the pottery vessels and throw (the pieces) to the east, north, west, and south,¹⁵ and say thus to the four directions:¹⁶

⁹Probably a walled house as found in the later Roman empire. That it is the wall of a house which is meant is clear from 1:77.

¹⁰Literally, "to smite the light of his eyes...to bind his feet."

¹¹Literally, "take in your hand."

¹²Cf. PGM IV:3210f.

¹³I.e., the waters from the different springs.

¹⁴Cf. PGM IV:222; IV:3210 φιάλη.

¹⁵Literally, "to the four winds of the heavens."

¹⁶Literally, "winds."

HHGRYT who dwell in the east,¹⁷ SRWKYT who
dwell in the north, CWLPH who dwell in the west,
KRDY who dwell in the south, accept from my hand¹⁸
60 N son of N, to break his bones, to crush all his
limbs, and to shatter his conceited power, as
these pottery vessels are broken. And may there
be no recovery for him¹⁹ just as there is no repair
for these pottery vessels.

Then take the vial of water²⁰ and repeat over it the
names of these angels and the name of the overseer, who is
TYGRH and say thus:

I deliver to you, angels of anger and wrath, N
son of N, that you will strangle him and destroy him
65 and his appearance,²¹ make him bedridden, diminish his
wealth, annul the intentions of his heart, blow away
his thought and his knowledge and cause him to waste
away continually until he approaches death.

If you wish to exile him conclude the formula thus:

*That you will exile him and banish him from his
children and his home and he will have nothing left.*

If he is one to whom you are in debt, conclude (the
formula) thus:

*That you will plug his mouth and make his
planning vain and he will not think of me, nor
speak of me; and when I pass in front of him,
he will not see me.*

70 If (the rite is) for a ship²² say thus:

¹⁷Literally, "in the east wind," et. al.

¹⁸Literally, "for the name of."

¹⁹Margalioth has "for them" and records no variant but the
context requires "for him."

²⁰Reading של מים instead of שלמים .

²¹I. e., so that the body will no longer be recognizable.

²²Either your enemy's ship or one on which he is.

I adjure you angels of wrath and destruction, that you will rise up against the ship of N son of N and that you not permit it to sail from any place. But if²³ wind (sufficient) for sailing²⁴ come to it, then let (the wind) carry it out to sea and shake it (so it sinks) in the midst of the sea and let neither man nor cargo be saved from it.

If you wish to fell a fortified wall say thus:

75

I adjure you, angels of fury, wrath, and anger, that you will go with the force of your power and fell the wall of N son of N. Smite it to dust and let it be overturned like the ruins of Sodom and Gemorah, and let no man place stone upon stone on the place²⁵ (where the wall was); if it be built during the day, let it be overturned at night.

Then pour out (the water) upon the four corners of the house. (In a like manner) if you wish to make your enemy bedridden, or to destroy his appearance, or to (do) any grievous thing, pour the water upon his doorstep. If (you wish) to exile him, pour out the water to the four directions.

80 If (you wish) to bind your creditor, throw the water on his garments. And if (you wish) to sink a ship, cast the vial and its water in the midst of the ship (while saying) the name of the ship and its master. And if you wish to overturn a wall, dig at the four corners of the wall and divide the water among (the four corners). (Use the water) thus in each case. Do it in (a state of) purity and then you will succeed.

²³Reading ואלו for ולא.

²⁴Possibly read מנהיג with Ms. ק, a leading wind."

²⁵Reading במקומה with Ms. פ for בקומה. Possibly בחומה, "on the wall."

These are the names of the angels who serve DNHL²⁶ in the third encampment:

85	'WGRBBW	'WBS'L	BRTWBY'L	KLWBY'L
	RHBY'L	'WHY'L	KRBWN	KRB'
	D'YNWT	'YNYK	'BYRM	'TGL'
	'WTWT	'ŠTNW'L	'ŠPR	TGRY'L
	'MYK'L	'TDŠW	'WRY'L	'RMWD
	'STWN	'K'L	'N'WR	'SKYR'
	LBY'L	'LCŠH	HSNY'L	LMWSY
	'DWT	TYRWM	'LPY	'YMYK
	'RGL'	MYG'L	'LY'L	MDNY'L

90 These angels tell everyone who, in purity, gains power over them, what will happen on the earth in each and every year, whether for plenty or for famine, whether rains will be abundant or sparse, and whether there will be a dearth and whether there will be produce, and whether locusts will come and whether there will be strife among kings, and whether a sword will come among the great men of the kingdom,²⁷ and whether death or suffering will befall mankind.

If you wish to know and understand what will be in each
95 and every year, take a hieratic papyrus²⁸ and cut it into

²⁶Probably a variant of Daniel or Danel, both of which are found as divine angelic names.

²⁷This seems to imply either strife or execution.

²⁸יִרְטִיקוֹן, i.e., ἱερατικόν - a hieratic sheet of papyrus. "Hieratic" (priestly) here refers especially to the Egyptian priests who were famed for their magic and from whence came the types of writing and paper that they used and were thought suitable for magical operations.

slips) and write in hieratic with a mixture of ink and myrrh²⁹ each and every possibility separately.³⁰ Then take a new flask and put in it spikenard oil³¹ and throw in the written slips³² (as well); then stand facing the sun³³ when he comes forth from his bridal chamber³⁴ and say:

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I adjure you O sun that shines on the earth, in the name of the angels who make men of knowledge understand and comprehend wisdom and secrets, that you will do what I ask and make known to me what will be in this year--do not conceal a thing from me.

And you will adjure (the sun with) this adjuration for three days, three times³⁵ and the third time you will scrutinize the oil. Notice everything brought up upon the face of the oil, that is what will happen in that year. If two

²⁹ מלנוך מזמירנה for σμορνό-μέλαν(ον) - a special ink used for magical purposes.

³⁰ I.e., one possibility on each slip.

³¹ Cf. PGM I:278.

³² Literally, "things."

³³ Cf. PGM II:87; III:325; IV:260; V:237.

³⁴ Here the text has צאתה מחופתה . If the final ה's were taken as feminine terminations (which they usually are) this would mean "when she comes forth from her bridal chamber." However, the sun is most often masculine. The verb forms and pronouns referring to the sun in this context are all masculine. Therefore, it is more plausible to explain these endings as Aramaizing spellings for the masculine termination י.

³⁵ Literally, "3 days 3 times." Possibly once a day or three times each day.

possibilities come up, then there will be (these) two and
if three come up, there will be three. Afterwards, take
105 the oil and burn it while saying the names of the angels
that serve in this encampment. And (as for) the rest of
all the written (slips), hide them³⁶ in a wall or in a
window. And so, (as in) every operation, act in purity,
and you will succeed.

³⁶Reading **קניג** for **קניג**, implying a ritual burial or storage both here and elsewhere in the text.

These are the names of the angels who serve KLMYYH³⁷

in the fourth encampment:

	'BRYH	'YMRHY	DMN'Y	'MNHR
	Y'MNWK	PTKY'	TWBY'L	GWLY'L
	'WPRY	GMTY	'WRNY'L	PRYKYHW
	Y'RN	LTMY'L	'WRYT	TYMWGW
110	'NMRY	'LMYNY'L	YKMTW	STRTW
	SB ^c QNY	BWRTY'S	RSPWT	KRSWN
	'M'P	WP'TN'	'H'L	S'BY'L
	BLQYR	PKHWR	HSTR	STRY'L
	'LYSS	HLSY'L	TRSPW	QRSTWS
	MLKY'L	'RDQ	HSDY'L	'HSP
	'MY'L	PRNWS	GDY'L	SBYB'L

These are the angels³⁸ who bring around³⁹ the opinion
 115 of the king and the good will of the nobles, chiefs, and
 leaders of the kingdom, directing and bestowing favor and
 mercy upon all who arise in purity to request anything from
 them. Perform this rite zealously and you will succeed.

If you wish to turn the king's opinion to your favor, or
 (that of) the chief of the army, or a rich man, or a ruler,
 or a judge of a city, or all the citizens of the state, or

³⁷ Here spelled with a η instead of a κ as in 1:8. The manuscripts show other variations, BLMY', GDYMYY'.

³⁸ Perhaps the 36th angel comes from $\chi\rho\iota\sigma\tau\acute{o}\varsigma$.
 Cf. 1:130.

³⁹ משׁובבִּים is possibly from שׁבב . Margalioth suggests amending to משׁרתיִם or שׁתמננו . Possibly amend to מסבבִּים . Cf. 1:127 שׁתמננו .

(if you wish to change) the heart of a great or wealthy woman, or the heart of a beautiful⁴⁰ woman, (do this). Take a lion cub and slaughter it with a bronze knife and catch its
 120 blood and tear out its heart⁴¹ and put its blood in the midst (of the heart) and write the names of these (above mentioned) angels in blood upon the skin between its eyes; then wash it out with wine three years old and mix (the wine) with the blood.

Then take three of the chief spices, istorgon⁴² and myrrh and musk,⁴³ and stand clean and pure, facing the brilliant star⁴⁴ and put the spices on the fire; then take in your hand the cup in which are the wine and the blood and say (this spell over it while burning the incense) and call
 125 on the name of the overseer and the names of the angels of this encampment. (Do this) twenty-one times over the blood and over the wine and say to the brilliant star, the name (of the star) which is that of Aphrodite, three hundred (times)⁴⁵ and (the name of the) angel ḤSDY'L (and then say):

⁴⁰Reading יופיה for יופיה.

⁴¹Cf. PGM III:425 and DMP 25:27, p. 155.

⁴²איטורקון is probably στύραξ (styrax), a fragrant gum.

⁴³מושך. If Margalioth is correct in assuming that מושך is a transliteration of the Persian *musk* and the Greek *moschos*, then the ך implies an Aramaic form making שורה the Aramaic "chain" or "chord." Margalioth points out the similarity between the Arabic targum of SHR which reads WSWRT 'LMSK and the Arabic targum of the Song of Songs 1:13 which reads SRH 'LMSK. Thus the targum renders "bag of myrrh" as "bag of musk."

⁴⁴I.e., Aphrodite-Venus. Cf. 1:126.

⁴⁵אפרודיטי ע Cf. PGM IV:2891. Margalioth suggests deletion of the ע.

I adjure you in the name of the angels of the fourth encampment who serve KLMY' that you bring around for me King N so that the heart of his army and the heart of his ministers (will be) in my hand, I, N son of N, and I will find favor and mercy before him and he will do what I want and ask, whenever I ask (anything) from him.

130 When you finish repeating the adjuration twenty-one times, look up and you will see (something) like a coal of fire descending into the blood and wine.⁴⁶

If you wish to enter the presence of the king or any (great) man, or a judge, wash yourself with "living" water⁴⁷ and take some of the blood and some of the wine and anoint your body, and place the lion's heart over your heart. If (you wish) to
135 bring around the citizens of the city⁴⁸ take the lion's heart and hide it in the midst of the city, and write on a (piece of) gold foil⁴⁹ the (name of) the overseer and (the names of the angels of) his encampment and say thus:

*You angels who go around and circulate in the world, bring around (to me) all the citizens of this city, great and small, old and young, lowly and distinguished. Let the fear and terror of me be over them as the terror of the lion is over all the animals. And as this heart is mute while I am speaking, so let
140 all of them listen to me, and let none of the children of Adam and Eve be able to speak against me.*

⁴⁶Cf. the notion of the descent of the holy spirit, body and blood of Christ into the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Note the use of QRSTWS in the angelic list of this encampment. Cf. 4 Ezra 14:39.

⁴⁷מֵיִם חַיִּים, "living water," i.e., water from a stream or spring, not from a cistern.

⁴⁸מְדִינָה is here translated as "city" as it fits the sense better than "state" which was used in 1:118.

⁴⁹צִיפָּ, gold plate, metal disc, or *lamella*, often used for making amulets.

Hide the heart in the middle of the city and go into seclusion⁵⁰ for three days and after three days appear in the city. (For this occasion) put some of the lion's blood under the soles of your feet.

If you wish to bind yourself to the heart of a great or wealthy woman⁵¹ take some perspiration from your face (and put it) in a new glass vessel; then write on it, (i.e.) on a
 145 tin *lamella*,⁵² the name of the overseer and the names of the angels, and throw (the tin *lamella*) in the midst (of the flask) and say thus over the perspiration of your face:

I adjure you angels of favor and knowledge, that you will turn (to me) the heart of N daughter of N and let her do nothing without me, and let her heart be (joined) with my heart in love.

Take the new flask and bury it under her doorstep⁵³
 and say:

Just as a woman will return to the infant of her womb, so this N will return to me to love me from this day and forever.
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This should be written⁵⁴ at the full moon.

⁵⁰Literally "hide your face."

⁵¹This love potion is independent of the previous use of the lion's blood.

⁵²Either the phrase "on it" or "on a tin *lamella*" seems to be a repetitive addition.

⁵³Literally "the place of her coming in and going out."

⁵⁴Reading יכתוב for יכתב .

These are the angels who serve 'SYMWR in the fifth
encampment:

BTW'R	ŠKYNTTK	'DWM'	TQW
MQP'	LHB'	^C LY	^C ZY
ŠKNY'L	KNWR	BNŠ	QRB'
SRK	HLŠY'L	HRMN ^C	^C BR
HWD	MLKYH	PR ^C TWP	'D ^C T
QWP	MNMLK	DYNMWR	'LPNT ^C TWS
DYDRYWK	KLNH	NYNHY'	DŠNHY'
155 MLGDM	DYMHN	LYBRNK	TTQHH
'PNY'L	ZBYTWR	DKNSWR	RMGDL
LHTQWP	^C LY	GDGDL	PRWŠ
MSRWŠ	KDYR	MWS	DYQN'
NŠR	TWB	DRWMY'L	DYR'Z
DMWL'	DYDY'L	T ^C Y	KRM
'TR	^C QB	HWNMWR'	'NQYW
GZRY'L	ŠBY'L	ŠBYWD ^C	YYQR
'DWT	RGBY'L		

These are the angels who obey (you) during the night (if
160 you wish) to speak with the moon or the stars or to question a
ghost or to speak with the spirits.

If you wish to speak with the moon or with the stars about
any matter, take a white cock and fine flour, then slaughter
the cock⁵⁵ (so that its blood is caught) in "living water."⁵⁶
Knead the flour with the water and blood and make three cakes

⁵⁵Reading שט for טט.

⁵⁶Cf. above, note 47.

and place them in the sun, and write on them with the blood
the name(s) of (the angels of) the fifth encampment and the
name of its overseer and put the three of them on a table of
165 myrtle wood, stand⁵⁷ facing the moon or facing the stars
and say:

*I adjure you to bring the planet of N and his star
near to the star and planet of N, so his love will be
tied with the heart of N son of N.*⁵⁸

Or say:

*Place fire from your fire in the heart of this N
(masc.) or that N (fem.) so she will abandon her
father's and mother's house⁵⁹ because of love for
this N (masc.) son of N (fem.).*⁶⁰

Then take two of the cakes and place them with the cock
in a new flask; then seal its mouth with wax and hide the
flask in a place not exposed to the sun.⁶¹

170 If you wish acts of kindness (to be done to you); take the

⁵⁷ Reading עומד for אימר.

⁵⁸ The grammar here is most confusing. It would seem that the first clause (1:165,166) is a homosexual love formula and that the second (1:166,167) is bi-sexual. Another possibility is that the first clause uses a common masculine to imply that the formula could be used by any party. The fact that the second clause specifically provides for attraction of either a male or a female to a man seems, however, to imply that the first clause is indeed homosexual. The question is influenced by our rendering of נאמר . Does it imply a new formula or a continuation of the former? Cf. its usage in the first firmament, second encampment (p.27). Also compare DMP 22:40 p.143; and PGM IV:345f. and 1480f.

⁵⁹ Literally "her father's house and her mother." This is probably a colloquial construction.

⁶⁰ Note the definition of an individual by specification of his mother. This is common in Egyptian magic texts and used often in SHR. A common saying was, "the mother is certainly known, the father uncertain."

⁶¹ See also 2:173. Cf. PGM VII:915. καὶ ἄλλω μὴ δεῖξῃς

remaining cake, crumble it, and place it in aged wine in a glass cup, and say the name(s) of the angels in the presence of the moon and the stars and continue thus:

I adjure you that you will give favor, kindness, and affection, to N, from the favor, kindness, and affection that radiate from your countenance. (Give them to) me, N son of N, so that I will find favor, kindness, affection, and honor in the eyes of every man.

Then blow into the wind and wash your face each dawn,

175 for nine days, with the wine and the cake crumbled in it.

If you wish to question a ghost; stand facing a tomb and repeat the names of the angels of the fifth encampment (while holding) in your hand a new flask (containing) oil and honey mixed together and say thus:

180 *I adjure you O spirit of the ram bearer⁶² who dwell among the graves upon the bones of the dead, that you will accept from my hand this offering and do my will and bring me (the spirit of) N son of N who is dead. Raise him up so that he will speak to me without fear and tell me true things without concealment.⁶³ Let me not be afraid of him and let him tell me (for) my question, (the answer) I need from him.*

He should appear immediately. But if he does not, repeat the adjuration a second time (and) up to three times. When he appears set the flask before him and after this speak your words while holding a twig of myrtle in your hand.⁶⁴ If you
185 wish to release him, strike him three times with the myrtle and pour out the oil and honey, and break the cup, and throw the myrtle from your hand, and return home by a different route.

⁶²קרפורינא , i.e., Κερσφόρος or Hermes.

⁶³Cf. PGM IV:1034. Spirits do not always tell the truth.

⁶⁴The flask and myrtle are to protect the person reciting the incantation. Cf. Goodenough, Symbols 2.174.

If you wish to speak with the spirits, go out to "the place of the killed"⁶⁵ and call out there in a singsong, whimpering way:

190 *I adjure you in the name of the angels who serve in the fifth encampment, and in the name of the overseer who is over them, who is 'SYMWR, that you will hear me at this time and send me the spirit of HGRGYRWT.⁶⁶ She shall go according to my will for whatever I send her and shall obey me in everything until such and such a time.*

If you see opposite you a column of smoke, speak your words and send (her) for whatever purpose you wish.

These are the names of the angels who serve PSKR in the sixth encampment:

'ZY'L	'RBY'L	TRY'PWN	PWKBWS
PSTMR	LYNNY'L	QRWNYDN	ŠWKDWN
195 SLBYDM	CMY'L	CWZY'L	PNY'L
TRMY'L	HMMY'L	SRMY'L	NYMMWS
NWDNYY'	B'RYB'	ZWNNWM	HŠTW'L
SDRY'L	HWPNY'WN	QDMY'L	KPNYY'
'RMY'L	CDMWN	HRMWR	ŠPLY'L
SPRY'L	QHNY'L	ŠBKRYR'	'RMWNYS
TWPWMWS	PŠSY'L	HTPY'L	PRSWMWN
NHLY'L			

200 These are the angels of might who gird on power and strength to run from place to place and to fly in all corners

⁶⁵ Possibly the place of public executions or the place where executed criminals were buried, or a place where multiple murders had been committed.

⁶⁶ חגגירות . The reference is unknown. Possibly from "Hagar the Proselyte," הגר גירות.

of the earth to return a man, a fugitive, either a slave who fled or a thief who fled. (If you wish to catch a fugitive) take four copper *lamellae* and write upon each and every one of them the name of the man and the name of his mother,⁶⁷ the name of the overseer, PSKR, and the names of the angels who serve him, and say:

205 *I charge you, angels of might, to seize N son of N, wherever he goes and wherever he dwells, whether in a city or in a country, whether at sea or on land, whether eating or drinking. You shall make him fly like a flying bird and bring him against his will, and not let him linger one moment, whether by day or by night.*

Then take (the) four copper *lamellae* and hide them in the four directions⁶⁸ whether in the city or in the country.

These are the names of the angels who serve BW'L in the seventh encampment:

210	NWHRY'L	DBB'L	DYMTMR	DB'L
	MḤṢYN	'WR	DY'M	BBYT'L
	SRWR'	'HGYH	PRWPY'L	MKSY'L
	CLZY'L	TKWRKS	QRWMY'L	RMY'L
	LḤSWN	SLHY'L	'HY'L	'KR
	'WBR	SRWGY'L	YDW'L	ṢMṢY'L
	ṢPTȳ'L	RḤBY'	'HMWD'	MRMRYN
	'NWK	'LPRT	'WMYGR'	QRWKNS
	SRPY'L	GDRY'L	'RDWD'	PWRTNY'L
	'GMY'L	RHTY'L	DYTRWN	ḤZ'L
215	PTW'L	GLGL'	DMNṢR	ZZY'L

⁶⁷On descent through the mother, cf. First Firmament, note 60 (p. 37).

⁶⁸I.e., towards the north, south, east, and west.

These are the names of the angels in charge of dreaming, to make anyone who approaches them in purity know what the dream (was) and what its interpretation is.

If the king, or the head of the city, or governor, or your friend summons you and you want to give him an answer from your wisdom, say to him, "I will make known to you what is in your heart concerning me." (or "what you thought about me," or
 220 "what you want to do," or "what is the interpretation of your dream.")⁶⁹ "Give me a period of three days and I will make known to you all that is in your heart." Then go out on Sunday to the sea shore or to a river bank during the third hour of the night. Wear a new cloak⁷⁰ and do not eat (the meat of) any animal,⁷¹ nor anything which yields blood (when slaughtered), and do not drink wine. Take myrrh and pure frankincense and place them on burning coals in a new earthen vessel, and turn your face toward the water and repeat three
 225 times the name of the overseer with the name(s) of the angels of the encampment. When you see a pillar of fire between heaven and earth say thus:

⁶⁹The magician is to choose the appropriate phrase.
 Cf. PGM I:175.

⁷⁰ ἵψος i.e., στολή. Semetic pronunciation often avoids double consonants by the introduction of vowels.

⁷¹ Hebrew הפך. Margalioth reads הגך, fish, which might be possible in sympathy with "the river." But see 2:8 and notes. Furthermore the next phrase, "anything which issues blood" would not classically apply to "fish." In 5:35 we read "both small animals and all that yields blood *even* fish." Thus it seems that SHR would go out of its way to make the distinction if it was appropriate.

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I adjure you by the One who measured the waters in the palm of His hand and rebuked the waters so that they fled from Him, and made winds flying in the air his personal servants, as a fiery flame, who rebuked the sea and dried it up, and made rivers a desert,⁷² by His name and by its letters, I adjure you, and by the names of the angels⁷³ of the seventh encampment who serve BW'L, that you make known to me what is in the heart of N son of N and what is his desire, and what is the interpretation of his dream and what is his thought.

Do likewise on the second and third nights and you will see that a pillar of fire will appear to you with a cloud on it like the image of a man.⁷⁴ Question him and he will tell you whatever you ask. And if you wish to release him throw some of the water, from the sea or the river by which you are standing, toward heaven three times and say under your breath:⁷⁵

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Invisible Lord BW'L, sufficient to our need, the perfect shield bearer,⁷⁶ I free you, I free you, subside and return to your (heavenly) course.

Say this seven times. Perform the entire rite in purity and you will succeed.

These are the names of the seven spirits who serve in the firmament called *Shamayim*.

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⁷²The adjuration is a combination of Isa 40:12; Ps 104:4; 107:33; and Nah 1:4.

⁷³Reading שמונת for בשם ז, i.e., "the names of" for "the name of seven" angels, since there are 44 angels in this encampment.

⁷⁴Cf. Ezek 1:4.

⁷⁵Cf. PGM III:108.

⁷⁶With Margalioth, *Sepher* 80, following the transcription of Morton Smith. אורוי גרי/באל פוטמוס טרגרי טליגוס אספדיפורוס
ἀόρατε κύριε Βουήλ, ποτ' ἡμᾶς ἄρκιε, τελικὸς
ἀσπιδηφόρος.

(THE SECOND FIRMAMENT)

The second firmament is called "heaven of heavens."¹ In it are frost and fog² and treasuries of snow and treasuries of hail, angels of fire and angels of moisture³ and spirits of terror and spirits of dread. The firmament is full of fear, for within it are innumerable angels constituting armies upon armies and over them are officers and overseers. Within the
5 firmament are twelve steps⁴ and on each and every step stand angels in their splendor, and over them is one high official over another. Nevertheless, for human affairs, they are obedient to everyone who approaches them in purity.

If you wish to ask something of any who stand on the steps of the second firmament, cleanse yourself for three weeks from all fruit of the palm,⁵ from all kinds of animals, small and large,⁶ from wine, from (all) types of fish and from all (animals) that yield blood (when slaughtered); and do not approach a woman in her impurity,⁷ and do not touch anything

¹שמי שמים, a common designation in mystical literature for the second heaven.

²קטור, כפור וקטור, "smoke." Here it seems to imply mist or fog in parallel to frost, snow, hail, etc.

³Reading זיעה, i.e., "moisture" with Mss. ה and א instead of זיע, i.e., "trembling."

⁴מעלות, i.e., steps, levels, divisions.

⁵Reading דקל for דקה with Margalioth.

⁶דקה וגסה, i.e., small and large animals. This is a common distinction found in Rabbinic literature between sheep and goats as opposed to cattle.

⁷Cf. Ezek 18:6.

which has died,⁸ and do not come near a leper or one afflicted
 10 by venereal discharge, even accidental, and guard your mouth
 from every evil word and from every sin; and sanctify yourself
 from every sin.

Upon the first step stand these:

'HMY'L	HDRY'L	RŠY'L	HS ^C Y'L
DMYMY'L	ZBDY'L	RNZY'L	CNS [˙] 'L
KTBR'L			

These, their station is on the first step. They stand in
 terror, cloaked in wrath, girded with dread, surrounded by
 15 trembling, their raiment like an image of fire, their faces
 like the appearance of lightning, and their mouths never cease
 (to utter) mighty words. Nevertheless, their voice is not
 heard, for their task is to silence, to frighten, and to
 terrify anyone who opposes the man who calls on them in purity.

If you wish to silence a great and powerful people, or a
 governor, or a judge, or the citizens of a city, or of a state,
 take a handful of ashes from beneath the bread offering⁹ of an
 20 idol and say over it backwards¹⁰ seven times the names of the
 angels written above (as standing) on the first step, and say:

*I ask from you, angels of silence, that in this
 place, you silence every mouth and every heart of the
 children of Adam and Eve who arise against me to (say)
 anything evil. Let their mouths utter good things about*

⁸Cf. Lev 21:11.

⁹Cf. Testament of Job 7. Here reading פת for פאת

¹⁰מפּרַע, possibly "out of order" or "irregularly," but most likely "backwards" the normal meaning. Saying things backwards is a well-known magical practice.

*me and let me be exonerated in my lawsuit; do not permit any mouth to speak evil about me.*¹¹

Then sprinkle the ashes, either in the city or in the state, either before the governor or before the judge, and you will be exonerated.

Upon the second step stand these:

^c ZZY'L	HNN'L	PSSY'L	YŠ ^c Y'L
DLQY'L	'RPD'	MR'WT	RYPYPYS
'MNY'L	NHMY'L	PRZYRWM	ČNB'L

These, their station is on the second step. They stand with strength, filled with might, surrounded with love, and in their presence fire burns, and they hasten to bring the (ruling) planets of the sons of man into conjunction for love.

If you wish to put the love of a man into the heart of a woman, or to arrange for a poor man to wed a rich woman, take two copper *lamellae* and write upon them, on both sides, the names of these angels, and the name of the man and the name of the woman and say thus:

I ask of you, angels who rule the fates of the children of Adam and Eve, that you do my will and bring in conjunction the planet of N son of N into conjunction with (the planet of) the woman N daughter of N. Let him find favor and affection in her eyes and do not let her belong to any man except him.

Place one (*lamella*) in a fiery furnace and the other in her ritual bath.¹² Do this on the twenty-ninth of the month

¹¹In this formula note that two angelic names, חסעיאל and דמימאל which are derived from verbs meaning "to silence" (חס, דמם).

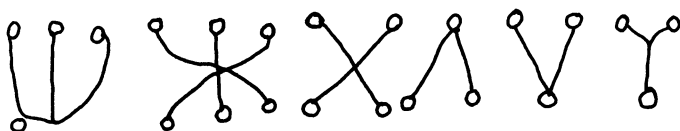
¹²By Rabbinic law, if the woman uses a ritual bath, *mikvah*, she is either about to be married or married, thus limiting the formula's usefulness to bridegrooms, husbands and

when the moon has waned completely. Take care to keep yourself from intercourse, from wine, and from all (kinds of) meat for three days.¹³

Upon the third step stand these:

YHW'L	D ^C YHW	'LY'L	BRKY'L
^C LY	SPWM	PNYMWR	'L ^C ZR
GBLY'L	KMS ^Y 'L	'WDH'L	Y ^C S'L
40 RPPY'L	PSPY'L		

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adulterers. Since we do not know in what circles this document circulated, it is of course impossible to draw a definite conclusion about its intended use.

¹³ Since the introduction to the Second Firmament gives general rules of abstinence to follow before using the formulas of the Second Firmament, we must assume that these rules are to be followed after the spell has been cast in order to insure effectiveness.

¹⁴ These characters appear here in Ms. N. Such symbols, which were used to enhance the power of amulets and spells, were common both in the Greek and Jewish worlds. Cf. Margalioth, Sepper 4; PGM IV:2706; VII:810, 816, 860, 922. These characters are also reproduced in the sixth step of the Second Firmament and in the Third Firmament. Full magical alphabets coalesce at a later date. Cf. Robert Ambelain, La Kabbale Pratique (Paris: Edition Niclaus, 1951), or the chart reproduced in Gustav Davidson, A Dictionary of Angels (London: Macmillan, 1967) 335. The use of ringed symbols may derive from the punch writing on Greek allotment plates which were worn in a similar fashion to amulets. Cf. John H. Kroll, Athenian Bronze Allotment Plates (Cambridge, Mass: Harvard University Press, 1972).

These, their station is on the third step, for their function is to shake and agitate the hearts of men and to make void their intentions and nullify their thoughts. Dread is theirs and fear where they walk, and their appearance is (full) of wrath, and they are exceedingly harsh and mighty men of war, and fear goes before them and trembling after them,¹⁵ and they roar and cause trembling as they go shaking¹⁶ (the world), and their voice is like the voice of thunder and in their hands are rods of fire and their faces are like sparks of fire and
 45 fire comes forth from their eyes, and all of them are ready to nullify and make void (whatever they are asked to).

If you wish to nullify a great man's intentions towards you, or the thoughts of an army officer, or the intentions of military men, or any other evil intentions or thoughts (directed against you); go out at midnight when the moon is full, barefoot,¹⁷ and pure, and wrapped in a new cloak.¹⁸ Stand under the moon and say twenty-one times the names of the angels written above, (those) who stand on the third step of
 50 the "heaven of heavens," and say:

Moon, Moon, O Moon, bring my words before the angels who stand upon the third step: nullify the thought concerning me of N son of N and the intention of his heart and his plot. Let his mouth be unable to speak

¹⁵This calls to mind the figure of Ares and his attendants.

¹⁶רעש, commonly associated with earthquakes.

¹⁷The text reads יחיד, i.e., "alone." Margalioth reads נחיר "barefoot." This is justified by other magical texts of a similar nature.

¹⁸נִלְטֹא, i.e., στωλή. Cf. First Firmament, note 70 (p.41).

against me, destroy his knowledge, and thwart his intentions, and let his purpose¹⁹ be devastated, so that every time he sees me he will be filled with love for me, and let him be changed so that he becomes my friend, and let him not remember any hatred of me, and let me find favor and affection in his eyes.

55 Then write (the names of) the angels and these (following) characters²⁰ upon a silver *lamella*; put them on a tablet over your heart,²¹ and during all the days you wear it²² you shall succeed.

Upon the fourth step stand these:

SGRY'L	MLKY'L	'WNBYS	PGRY'L
CNNY'L	KLNMY'	'WY'L	MPNWR
KWZZYB'	'LPY'L	PRYBY'L	S ^c QMYH
KDWMY'L	'SMD ^c	HWDYH	YHZY'L

60 These, their station is on the fourth step.²³ They are girded with storm and the sound of their steps is like the sound of bronze. They fly from the east and turn from the west towards the gate.²⁴ They are swift as lightning and fire is around

¹⁹Literally "heart."

²⁰והכרטיס for χαρταφίδες. Cf. note 14 (p.46).

²¹Reading על לוח על לבך. This is a recipe for an amulet. The idea is that you put the silver foil on a stronger tablet and wear it suspended over your heart (chest).

²²Literally, "it is upon you."

²³Note the ninth angel, KWZZYB', and the thirteenth, 'SMD^c. KWZZYB' is most probably Bar Kochba. This would clearly date the angelology as post 135 CE. 'SMD^c is most probably Asmodeus. Cf. Tob 3:7,17.

²⁴פילון for πυλῶν.

them. They withhold²⁵ sleep from men, and they can do good or do evil.

If you wish to give your enemy trouble in sleeping,²⁶ take the head of a black dog that never saw light during its days and take a *lamella* from a strip of (lead) pipe from an aqueduct,²⁷ and write upon it (the names of) these angels and say thus:

65 *I hand over to you, angels of disquiet who stand upon the fourth step, the life and the soul and the spirit of N son of N so that you may tie him in chains of iron and bind him to a bronze yoke. Do not give sleep, nor slumber, nor drowsiness to his eyelids; let him weep and cry like a woman at childbirth, and do not permit any (other) man to release him (from this spell).*

Write thus (as above) and put (the inscribed lead *lamella*) in the mouth of the dog's head²⁸ and put wax on its mouth, and seal (it) with a ring which has a lion (engraved)
70 upon it. Then go and conceal it behind his house or in a place he frequents.²⁹

If you wish to release him (take the dog's head) away from where it is concealed and remove its seal and withdraw the text and throw it into a fire, and he will fall asleep at once. Do this with humility and you will succeed.

²⁵Literally "separate."

²⁶Cf. PGM IV:2943.

²⁷פסוקרופורון for ψυχροσφόρον . Cf. PGM VII:397.

²⁸Cf. PGM XXXVI:232,370.

²⁹Literally "a place in which he goes and comes." His door-step is most likely, as this was a popular and effective place for magic deposits. Cf. First Firmament, note 53 (p.35).

Upon the fifth step stand these:

QWN'QRY'L

PTWNY'L

NQRV'L

'Y'L

Y'BWTY'W

BBSB'W

BKPY

MBWM

75 SKTB'Q

'MRY'L

Y'L'L

MKS'BW

These are they who stand on the fifth step. They grasp shield and spear, and brass helmets are on their heads, and their garments are coats of mail. To their right and left are (storms) as of hailstones. Trembling (accompanies) their running and they stride upon rivers of fire, grasping torches, and hurrying to return an answer, and their mouths never silent from roaring, and their breath³⁰ is like flaming fire, and their fire is blazing (so that) the breath of their mouths
80 kindles fire, for all their actions concern the treasures of fire, for from fire they emerged and they are stationed in fire.

If you wish to light an oven in the cold, take a lump of sulphur (that weighs) about seven shekels³¹ and divide it into the number of compartments in the oven. Then upon each and every (lump of sulphur) write with a bronze stylus³² the names of the angels who stand upon the fifth step and say:

85 *I adjure you, angels of fire and angels of flame, by the King who is a consuming fire, that you shall stand with me and kindle the oven which is in such a place, and it shall be that anyone who approaches it will be amazed at its heat.*

³⁰Perhaps "their spirit," but "breath" is more likely here.

³¹Or possibly 27 shekels exactly. Reading כ'י'.

³²Reading בעשש נחושט של בעת with Mss. ס and ח instead of בעשש נחושט.

Do this in the proven manner³³ and you will succeed.

Then take the sulphur and cast it into each and every burner of it (the oven) and it (the sulphur) will blaze up strongly. Every day that you wish to light (the oven) write (as directed) and cast (the sulphur) into the midst (of the oven).

Upon the sixth step stand these:

	'BYHWD	QYTR	ZLQY'L	STRY'L
90	'DRK	GHL'Y'L	TMKY'L	SMKYH
	RB ^c Y'L	YWQMY'L	SMYHWD	MHRY'L
	DWMY'L	KRKWS	QNZ	QNY'L
	KNTWN			

These are they who stand on the sixth step. They behave with humility, but their faces are full of glory. Their garments are garments white as light. They stand like giants, awesome as the scholars of a court,³⁴ seated in thrones of glory, trusted to give true (judgments), and in charge of healing.

95 If you wish to heal a man who has had a stroke and half of him is dried up, either by an (evil) spirit or by witchcraft, take spikenard oil and three measures of honey and stand facing the sun as it rises, repeating three times each day for seven days the name of the man and the name of his mother and the names of the angels who stand upon the sixth step. And on the seventh day take him and stand him naked before the sun, and smear oil all over his flesh, while burning myrrh, frankincense, and chosen spices in the sunlight. Then again write upon a

³³ $\kappa\alpha\tau\alpha$ for δοκιμή, or possibly δόγμα.

³⁴ Literally, "of a yeshivah" or academy.

silver *lamella* (the names of) these angels of glory with these characters:³⁵



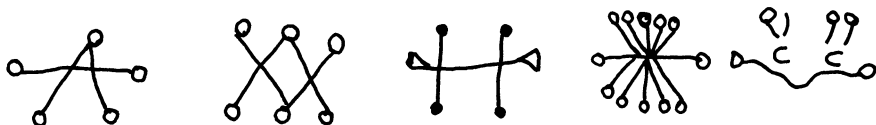
(Write these on the *lamella*) as an amulet and put it on his neck with a (cord of) asbestos³⁶ and incense of spices. Write it thus on the twentieth of the month and you will succeed.

Upon the seventh step stand these:

P [.] THYH	RZY'L	'GRY'L	HGDY'B
'DRWN	KRQT' [.]	Q [.] TYPWR	'BRY'L
ŠTQY'L	°MY'L	SYKBRDWM	

105 These are they who stand on the seventh step, girt with strength, their might like a lion. Half of them are like fire and half of them cold as water. They stand in their place (and are weakened from their fear).³⁷ They are wondrous because of their deeds and no one can comprehend their image,

³⁵See note 14 above (p.46). The characters given in the text are from Ms. η . Ms. δ reads:



³⁶אמילנטון for ἀμιαντος i.e. "asbestos." Properly an adjective meaning "undefiled." Asbestos was used to fashion magical chains. Cf. PGM XIII:300; and the Fifth Firmament, line 40 and note 11 (p.76).

³⁷The text appears to be corrupt. Compare with lines 157-160 below.

for they come great in stature with sparks of light upon their eyelids. Those who stand below are unable to look at their appearance and those, too, who stand above are frightened by
110 their appearance; for they turn to every side and above, and they move in all four directions.³⁸

If you wish to expel from the city every dangerous wild animal, whether lion, or wolf, or bear, or leopard, or (if you wish to quell) a river or sea which is rising and washing against buildings, (do the following). (For the wild animals) make a bronze image in the likeness of the one (which you desire to expel) and then make an iron *lamella* and write upon it, on the obverse and reverse, the names of the angels (of the seventh step) and bind it upon (the image) and bury it at the
115 entrance of the city and let its face be facing north. If it is a river or a sea you wish to bind so that it will not come and flood (the city), make a stone image (of a man), write (the names of) these angels on two copper *lamellae* and place them beneath his heels, and make a marble staff and place it on his shoulder, his right hand grasping the staff and his left hand open and his face towards the water.³⁹

³⁸ This implies that the angels can look in all directions at once.

³⁹ This image seems to be forbidden by Rabbinic texts. Cf. Mishnah Avodah Zarah 3:1; Maimonides, Mishnah Torah on A.Z. 7:6. Note that there are no spells, rituals, or sacrifices mentioned to be used when employing this figure. Perhaps a later hand has deleted them.

Upon the eighth step stand these:

'BRH	BRQY'L	'DWNV'L	°ZRY'L
BRKY'L	°MY'L	QDSY'L	MRGY'L
PRW'L	PNY'L	MRBNY'L	MRNYS'L
120 ŠMY'L	°MNY'L	MTN'L	HWD HWD

These are they who stand upon the eighth step.⁴⁰

Their appearance is as shining amber, they speak by their deeds, trembling and fire are in their dwelling place, (their presence) is filled with fear.⁴¹ They rule the spirits that wander in the earth, and in a place where their name is invoked an evil spirit cannot appear.

If you wish to drive off an evil spirit so it will not come to a woman when she is in childbirth and so it will not kill
 125 her child, before the woman's pregnancy write (the names of) these angels on a golden *lamella* and place it in a silver tubular case and let her wear it, and at the time of childbirth take four silver *lamellae* and write upon them (the names of) the angels and place them in the four sides of the house⁴² and no (evil) spirit will come in.⁴³

⁴⁰The sixteenth, הור הור, is not an angelic name. It is rather a description of their magnificence. Possibly amend to read הור והור both here and in 2:121.

⁴¹The text says, "they are filled with fear," but the meaning is clearly that they frighten those they encounter.

⁴²Probably the center of the four walls and not the corners.

⁴³Literally "come up," but the meaning is come up into (the house)."

Upon the ninth step stand these:

	GDWDY'L	SKSY'L	TRSWNY'L	NSHY'L
	'SDD'	RBNY'	HLYL'L	TWQPY'L
130	SMKY'L	PDH'L	QRB'	SY'L
	PR'L	PTHY'L		

These are they who stand on the ninth step. Quick and mighty, flying through the air, their strength is a breastplate and they appear to have swords in their hands; prepared for war, grasping bows and holding javelins, they leap forth from the fire. And they have horses of fire, and the harness of their chariots is of fire, and terror goes with them wherever they turn.

If you wish that a man going forth to war be protected from
 135 arrow, sword, or any blow, take seven leaves of a bay tree⁴⁴
 and write these names on them, two on each and every one of
 them, and put them in spikenard oil, and on the day he goes
 forth to war, let him smear (the oil) upon his flesh and upon
 his sword and his bow and arrows. Again write (the names of
 the angels) on a silver *lamella*, put them in a bronze tubular
 case, and let him tie it over his heart, then no blow will
 touch him.

⁴⁴Reading ערא for ער. Cf. Jastrow, Dictionary 1109; PGM XXIV:15; I:264.

Upon the tenth step stand these:

140	DKRY'L	HRY'L	ŠBQY'L	'TKY'L
	SMYK'L	MRMW'L	QN'L	SPTP
	YH'L	'LSDQ	'KPP	°ZM'L
	MKMYK'L	TRKY'L	TBGY'L	

These are they who stand on the tenth step.⁴⁵ They have been commanded (to reward) truth. Before them are myriads upon myriads (of angels) holding reed (pens) for fire and writing scrolls uninterruptedly, and recording acquittal for all those who call upon their names, (so that they) will be rescued and saved from forced tribute, the law of the land, and from every death penalty.

145 If you wish to rescue your friend from a bad judgment, or from any difficulty, purify yourself from all impurity, and do not cohabit with a woman for three days; then stand before the sun at the dawn and repeat these names (of these angels) and say:

150 *I beseech thee O great angel who art called "sun," who ascend the steps of the firmament, who watch the children of men, that you will perform my request and will bring my words before the King of Kings of Kings, the (Holy One) Blessed be He, to whom I pray concerning the case of N son of N, who is in trouble and has a bad case; and that you will bring over for him, from (God's) presence, something good and a time of relief. Let those who sought to do him evil be ashamed and let him be rescued without injury.*

In addition, write (the names of) these angels on a copper lamella and conceal it in the east, so it will be exposed to the sun at sunrise.⁴⁶ Do everything in purity and you will succeed.

⁴⁵For the tenth angel read קדק אל as one word with Ms. n.

⁴⁶Literally, "at its arising."

Upon the eleventh step stand these:

155	RPDY'L	DMW'L	M'RYNWS	'MYN'L
	SHY'L	CQRY'L	'DNY'L	RDQY'L
	SLMY'L	'STTY'L	ST'L	'GLGLTWN
	'RMWT	PRHG'L	NPPMYWT	

These, their position is upon the eleventh step. There is fear where they stand, a great multitude stationing (themselves) and establishing camps of ministering (angels) in the heaven, for on their command angels of fire run and return, causing (men) to descend from greatness and rise to splendor.

160 They fly to and fro, resuming their places, glorifying their creator and extolling their maker.

If you wish to restore to office one who has fallen from his place, a king, or minister, or governor, or judge, take oil and honey and fine flour and place them in a new glass vial,⁴⁷ and purify yourself from all impurity, and do not eat *nevelah*⁴⁸ and do not touch a woman's bed,⁴⁹ for seven days. Then on the seventh day stand beneath the moon, in its fourteenth, fif-
 165 teenth, or sixteenth day,⁵⁰ and take the vial in your hand, and write on it (the names of the angels of) this encampment of the

⁴⁷לֶחֶם for φαῖν.

⁴⁸That is meat from an animal which has died from natural causes

⁴⁹This expression should probably be understood as a metaphoric prohibition of cohabitation, though the literal meaning may be understood as a Rabbinic precaution against impurity.

⁵⁰That is, "on the full moon." It seems to be implied by 2:163 that one may begin preparations on either the seventh, eighth, or ninth, but since 2:172 implies that the adjuration is to be recited on all three days of the full moon, one must begin preparations on the seventh.

(eleventh) step and recite over it seven times, while facing the moon, the names of the angels and say:

170 *I bring my petition before you, O Moon, who travel by day and by night with chariots of light and angels of mercy before and behind you. I adjure you by the King who causes you to rise and set, as you are thin and become full and return to your place, so restore N son of N to his place and let him be (again) honored in the eyes of all who see him, and as you have glory in the world, so bestow glory upon him in the eyes of all the children of Adam and Eve, and restore him to his office, and let him rule as at the beginning and let him not move from his position (again).*

Do this for him for three days, and afterwards make them⁵¹ into a cake and dry it at night so that the sun does not shine on it, and have him eat it for three days, before sunrise, and bury (the) vial, with the writing still on it,⁵² in his house.

175 Upon the twelfth step stand these:

'STRYMY	BR'WT	BMR'WT	DRWDY'L
SDRLY'L	TLHBM	BRG'L	PY'L
PP'L	YKPTYNY	KLPTWN	BWBWKWK
'WMTWN	'RTMYKTWN	'SMYGDWN	SPNYG
PRNYG'L	PSYKSWK	T'GYSWN	'RTLTDY

180 These, their position is on the twelfth step. Surrounded by righteousness, rays of majesty on their heads, full of understanding, they understand how to praise (the Lord). They stand in two equal companies, half of them singing and the other half answering after them. Their language heals, their speech binds up (wounds), and anything they mention will be successful.

⁵¹I.e., the oil, honey, and flour.

⁵²Literally, "and vial bury written." One expects "and bury the inscribed vial" in order to parallel 2:165.

If you wish to cure a headache (affecting) half the
head⁵³ or to bind or rebuke the spirit causing blindness, take
fat that covers the brain of a black ox, and while in (a state
of) purity, write on it the names of these angels and place it
in a silver tubular case, then bind the tube with seven colors⁵⁴
and place it beside the pain. (In order to succeed) abstain
185 from meat, from wine, from (contact with) the dead, from
menstruating women, and from every unclean thing.

⁵³Cf. PGM VII:199.

⁵⁴Cf. PGM VII:271.

(THE THIRD FIRMAMENT)

The third firmament is filled with storerooms of mist from which the winds go forth, and inside it are encampments of thunder from which lightning emanates. Within, three princes sit on their thrones; they and their raiment have an appearance like fire and the appearance of their thrones is like fire, fire that gleams like gold, for they rule over all the angels of fire. They are like fire in their strength and their voices
5 are like the roar of a peal of thunder. And their eyes are like sunbeams, and they rule over the wheels of flame and fire. Moreover, they have wings to fly. The whinnying of their mouths is as horses,¹ their appearance like torches; when they speak they cause trembling, when they shout they cause weakness. They soar in every direction and fly to every corner (of the world).

These are the names of the princes who rule in the habitation² which is the third firmament. The name of the first is YBNY'L, the name of the second is RHTY'L, and the
10 name of the third is DLQY'L. YBNY'L is in charge of all things concerning the igniting and extinguishing of fire. RHTY'L is in charge of every chariot of fire³ causing it to

¹Cf. Nah 2:5.

²הֶחָיִם, i.e., habitation, temple, place.

³The chariots of fire are the heavenly fires over which these princes rule. The circling celestial bodies are viewed as the circling chariots of the hippodrome. Thus RHTY'L appears as the ruler of chariot races and his name (*RHT* = run) indicates that he was created for this function. The association of RHTY'L with the other angels of fire comes through Helios who drove a fiery chariot and team and was therefore the most conspicuous of charioteers and thus became the patron of their profession.

run (successfully) or to fail.⁴ DLQY'L is in charge of flames of fire, to kindle or quench (them).

These are the names of the angels who serve YBNY'L:

	ŠCYPY'L	'DRY'L	TDHDY'L	B ^C ŠY'L
	THPY'L	RLBY'L	BLNY'L	THZRY'L
15	'CZY'L	'MNHY'L	MLTHY'L	DYBQY'L
	BRŠS'L	SH'L	TTB'L	QSMY'L
	TSY'L	QSTSDY'L	NMDY'L	

If you wish to extinguish (the fire which heats) a bath-house so it will neither flare up nor burn, bring a salamander⁵ and place it in a glass vessel with oil aged for three years. Do not set it upon the ground, but repeat backwards over it seven times during the third hour of the night the name of
 20 the overseer and the names of the angels who serve before him, and say:

I adjure you, O salamander, in the name of YBNY'L and in the name of the angels of fire who serve him, just as you were driven from fire, so drive away and extinguish the fire from the bathhouse⁶ of N son of N. And you, angels of fire, all of whose deeds pertain to fire, do not permit fire to enter or warm this bathhouse, but stand on the gates of his (the owner's) house and enter it, and make it like cold snow⁷ or cold water.
 25

⁴Literally, "stumble." The author is writing of chariots but thinking of horses.

⁵ⲁⲓⲛⲓⲛⲁⲛⲓⲛⲓ for σαλαμάνδρα. The salamander is well known in the ancient world as being associated with fire. Cf. Ginzberg, Legends 5.52, n. 157f.

⁶Deleting ⲡⲓⲛⲁ, i.e., "blazing" since the purpose was to prevent ignition and the adjective implies the bathhouse is already ablaze.

⁷Cf. Prov 25:13.

Then take the flask of oil and put some of it on the four corners of each and every room. If you wish to undo the spell, take some of the remaining oil and stand facing the sun and repeat the name of YBNY'L and the names of the angels who serve him and say:

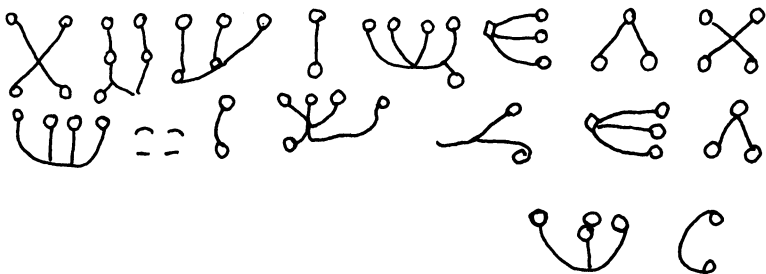
30 *I adjure you, angel of fire and angel of conflagration, that you will undo what I have bound and will permit the angels standing at the gates of the bathhouse of N son of N to ignite and kindle its fire as before.*

Then take the flask of oil and pour (some of it) in the four corners of each room and the fire will ignite and burn.

These are the names of the angels who serve RHTY'L:

'GR'	ZRGRY	GNTS	T ^C ZM'
LTSRP'L	GDY'L	TMNY'L	^C QHY'L
GWHPNY'L	'RQNY	SPYQW'L	MWŠY'L
SWSY'L	HTNY'L	ZKRY'L	'KNSP
35 SDQY	'HSP	NKMR'	PRDY'L
QLYLY'L	DRWMY'L		

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⁸These characters are from Ms. n . Cf. Second Firmament, note 14 (p.46).

If you wish to race horses, (even) when they are exhausted, so that they will not stumble in their running, that they will be swift as the wind, and the foot of no living thing will pass them, and they will win popularity in their running, take a silver *lamella* and write upon it the names of the horses and the names of the angels and the name of the prince⁹ who is over them and say:

40 *I adjure you angels of running, who run amid the stars, that you will gird with strength and courage the horses that N is racing and his charioteer¹⁰ who is racing them. Let them run and not become weary nor stumble. Let them run and be swift as an eagle. Let no animals stand before them,¹¹ and let no other magic or witchcraft affect them.*

Take the *lamella* and conceal it in the racing lane (of the one) you wish to win.

These are the names of the angels who serve DLQY'L:

45	NWRY'L	'ZLYBN	'YLY'L	MLKYH
	HYLY'L	HRH'L	SLQY'L	SGRY'L
	PSKY'L	^c QRY'L	SMNY'L	SBBY'L
	NHLY'L	TGMLY'L	'MYNW'L	TLB ^c P
	QTHNY'L	'PRY'L	'NGY'L	MŠRY'L
	'MNGN'N			

If you wish to give proof¹² (of your powers) to your

⁹The texts read "princes," but the singular is necessary. Cf. Ms. n

¹⁰הַנִּיּוֹכֹס for ἡνιόχος.

¹¹Cf. Dan 8:4.

¹²דּוּקְמִי probably for דּוּקְמִי - "proof" or "demonstration," but possibly דּוּקְמִי - i.e. "example." Cf. Second Firmament. note 33 (p.51).

beloved or to your friend, for example, to fill a house with fire which will not burn, take a root¹³ of a wild plant¹⁴ and put it on burning coals and as the smoke rises in the house, 50 recite the names of the angels and the name of their overseer, who is DLQY'L. When the smoke rises seven times, and when the smoke will be....¹⁵ all those who see it will see it as fire. When you recite the names of the angels say:

55 *I adjure you, O angels cloaked in fire, by Him who is all fire, who sits upon a throne of fire, and whose ministers are a flaming fire,¹⁶ and encampments of fire serve before Him. By His great name I adjure you, that you show me this great miracle and fill this house with your fire. Let me and all with me see this great miracle and not be afraid.*

When you finish your words, you will see the house filled with fire. If you wish to cause (the fire) to subside speak the adjuration backwards and say:

Angels of fire, extinguish, extinguish at once, hurry, make haste.¹⁷

How great are your works O Lord, you have made all of them in wisdom.¹⁸

¹³ Reading עקר for עגר.

¹⁴ אגריאנופוריס for ἀγρίοφορος.

¹⁵ The text seems corrupt. We seem led to understand, "and when the smoke will be (all that can be seen) all those who see it will see it as fire."

¹⁶ Cf. Ps 104:4

¹⁷ Cf. 1 Sam 20:38

¹⁸ Cf. Ps 104:24. This is the end of the Third Firmament and not part of the adjuration.

(THE FOURTH FIRMAMENT)

The fourth firmament is pitched¹ upon a storm wind, and stands on pillars of fire, and is held up by crowns of flame,² and full of treasuries of strength, also storehouses of dew. As each of its corners are swift angels running with each other, prancing, prancing.³

Within are seven rivers of fire and water, and along them, on both sides, stand innumerable angels. On one side stand
5 angels of fire that burn with an incandescent flame and on the other side angels of cold wrapped in hailstones. Neither do the (angels of cold) quench (the angels of fire) nor do (the angels of fire) ignite the (angels of cold). These immerse themselves in the rivers of fire and those immerse themselves in the rivers of water,⁴ and they all recite and chant⁵ songs and praises to the Life of the World for He created them to glorify His power.

Within the (fourth) firmament is the lovely bridal chamber of the sun, filled with light and all aflame. The angels of fire, girded with strength, surround him (the sun) and lead him
10 during the day. Then the angels of water, their bodies like

¹That is, it is pitched like a tent upon its posts.

²Greek capitals on columns seem implied.

³Cf. Judg 5:22.

⁴The immersion is for ritual purification. Presumably they immerse themselves in the river of their own substance, rather than the opposite, but the text leaves the question open.

⁵They thus alternate like a choir. The singing thus seems to be antiphonal.

the sea and their voices like the voice of waters⁶ strengthen themselves with an adornment of might and lead him at night.

These are the names of the angels that lead him during the day:

	'BR'SKS	MRMR'WT	MWKTY'L	M'RYT
	SDQY'L	YHSY	HSY'L	RB'L
	Y'BWK	MY'L	KRYMK'	MRM'N
	PW'L	GBRY'L	'ŠTWN	TWQPY'L
15	'LY'L	NPLY	'W'L	QWDŠY'L
	HWDY'L	NRWMY'L	YRŠY'L	MLKY'L
	'GRYT'L	LHGY'L	MNWRY'L	PL'W'L
	NWRY'L	HRM'Y'L	NSBRY'L	

These are the princes of the encampments who lead the sun during the day.⁷

And these are the names of the angels who lead him at night:

	PRSY'L	SRŠY'L	CGY'L	NBYM'L
20	CMY'L	YSRY'L	'SM ^C W'L	ŠPTY'L
	Š'W'L	RDRY'L	Š ^C SY'L	LYBB'L
	BNRY'L	SGRY'L	MNH'L	LMY'L
	PRY'L	PDH'L	LYBR'L	RBS'L
	HMQY'L	BGHY'L	NBRY'L	QSPY'L
	R ^C DNY'L	HTNY'L	'SPPY'L	HLW'L
	ŠM'Y'L	ZHZH'L	NKBRY'L	PS'L
	QMNY'L	ZH'L	HDY'L	

⁶Perhaps read כקול מים רבים, "like the voice of many waters." Cf. Ps 93:4.

⁷Apparently each of the thirty-one named here and below is a leader of others. Note the first angel, ἄβρααξ, is a transliteration of the correct spelling.

These are the princes of the encampments who lead him at night.

25 If you wish to view the sun during the day, seated in his chariot and ascending; guard yourself, take care, and keep pure for seven days from all (impure) food, from all (impure) drink, and from every unclean thing.⁸ Then on the seventh day stand facing (the sun) when he rises and burn incense of spices weighing three shekels before him, and invoke seven times the names of the angels that lead him during the day. Then if you
30 are not answered after these seven times, go and invoke them in reverse order seven times, and say:

I adjure you, angels that lead the sun in the power of your strength on the heavenly paths to illuminate the world, by the One whose voice shakes the earth, who moves mountains in His anger, who calms the sea with His power, who shakes the pillars of the world with His glance, who sustains everything with His arm, who is hidden from the eyes of all the living, who sits upon the throne of greatness of the kingdom of the glory of His holiness, and who moves through the entire world; I repeat (your names) and adjure you by His great, fearful, powerful, majestic, forceful, mighty, holy, strong, wondrous, secret, exalted, and glorious name;⁹ that you will do my will and desire at this time and season, and will remove the radiance of the sun¹⁰ so I may see him face to face as he is in his bridal chamber. Let me not catch fire from your fire and give me¹¹ permission to do my will.

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⁸ Abstinence from impure food and drink seems implied rather than a fast. This creates a parallel to "unclean things" and follows the same pattern as previous commands of abstinence found in SHR.

⁹ For an example of this type of listing see BT Berakhot 33b.

¹⁰ The rays of the sun obscure the sun angel.

¹¹ Reading לֹא for לֵךְ with Ms. ל .

At the completion of your adjuration, you will see him in his bridal chamber and you can ask him (to foretell questions) of death or life, good or evil. And if you wish to release him, repeat the adjuration and say:

I adjure you that you return the radiance of the sun to its place as in the beginning.

Then the sun will go on his way.

If you wish to see the sun during the night, proceeding (on his course) in the north,¹² purify (yourself) for three weeks of days from all (impure) food and drink, and from every unclean thing. Then stand during the third hour¹³ in the night watches, wrapped in white garments, and say twenty-one times¹⁴ the name of the sun and the names of the angels that lead him at night, and then say:

I adjure you, angels that fly through the air of the firmament, by the One who sees but is not seen, by the King who uncovers all hidden things and sees all secret things, by the God who knows what is in darkness, and who transforms the shadows into morning,¹⁵ and who illumines the night as the day, before whom all secrets are as clear as the sun, for whom there is nothing too difficult.¹⁶ In the name of the Holy King who walks upon the wings of the wind,¹⁷ by the letters of the complete name that was revealed to Adam in the Garden of Eden, (by)¹⁸ the Ruler of the planets,¹⁹ and the

¹²Cf. 1 Enoch 72:5.

¹³Cf. PGM XXXVI:136.

¹⁴This adjuration is triple the previous one in both number of days and times the adjuration is spoken.

¹⁵Cf. Amos 5:8.

¹⁶Cf. Jer 32:17.

¹⁷Cf. Ps 104:3.

¹⁸Reading המושל for במושל .

¹⁹"By the ruler of the planets," stars or fate.

55 sun, and the moon, who²⁰ bow down before Him as slaves before their masters, by the name of the wondrous God, I adjure you, that you will make known to me this great miracle that I desire, and that I may see the sun in his power in the (celestial) circle (traversed by) his chariot, and let no hidden thing be too difficult for me. Let me see him perfectly today, and let me ask him what I wish, and let him speak with me as a man speaks with his friend and tell me the secret of the depths, and make known to me hidden things, and let no evil thing happen to me.

When you finish speaking, you will hear a peal of thunder from the north and you will see something like lightning come forth and light up the earth before you. And after you see him, you will assuredly bow down to the ground and fall upon your
60 face to the earth and pray this prayer:

65 *Holy Helios who rises in the east, good mariner, trustworthy leader of the sun's rays, reliable (witness), who of old didst establish the mighty wheel (of the heavens), holy orderer, ruler of the axis (of the heaven), Lord, Brilliant Leader, King, Soldier.²¹ I, N son of N, present my supplication before you, that you will appear to me without (causing me) fear, and you will be revealed to me without causing me terror, and you will conceal nothing from me and will tell me truthfully all that I desire.*

²⁰ Reading בִּיְהוָה for בִּיְהוָה .

²¹ The prayer to Helios here is transliterated into Hebrew from Greek. Cf. Margalioth, *Sepher* 12 and 99f. The following transcription differs from Margalioth in the underlined words: εὐσεβῆς ἀνατολικὸν ἥλιος, ναύτης, ἀγαθός, πιστός ἀκτῶν κορυφαῖος,

εὐπιστος, ὃς πάλαι τροχὸν ὀβριμον καθίστης, κοσμητὴς ἅγιος.

πολοκράτωρ, κύριε, πομπὸς εὐφωτος, τύραννος, στρατιώτης.

Then stand up and you will see (the sun) in the north proceeding to the east.²² After this, put your hands behind you, and bow your head low, and ask whatever you desire. And after you have questioned him, lift your eyes toward heaven and say:

70 *'WRPLY'L, 'WRPLY'L,²³ I adjure you by the One who formed you, for His splendor and His glory, to illuminate His world, and who gave you rulership of the day, that you will not harm me,²⁴ and will not terrify me. I shall neither fear nor tremble, and you will return to your course in peace when I release you²⁵ and you will not pause in your course from now on forever.²⁶*

AMEN SELAH.²⁷

²² Cf. 1 Enoch 72:5.

²³ אורפליאל, this is apparently a name for the sun. Possibly אור פלי אל. The "marvelous" or "hidden" "light of God." פלאיה פלאו = פלו Where

²⁴ Cf. PGM I:346; IV:3122; V:41.

²⁵ Reading ואתירך for וחתירך.

²⁶ Cf. Ps 115:18.

²⁷ This is the conclusion of the Fourth Firmament and not part of the preceeding adjuration.

(THE FIFTH FIRMAMENT)

The fifth firmament is exceedingly exalted. It is magnificent in appearance, for within it are clouds of splendor. It is filled with angels of majesty, and within it (their knees) knock with fear. They are stationed in troop after troop, glorifying (the One) who carved them into flame. The sound of their running is like the crashing of the sea, and their walk is like wheels of thunder. Therein, moreover, are twelve princes of glory seated upon magnificent thrones, the appearance of their
5 thrones is like that of fire. They quarter the heavens at the middle by facing the four directions of the world, three by three toward each direction.¹ And (the) angels run when they send them, and their roaring shakes the world. Lightnings issue from their breath and they have wings of fire and are wreathed with crowns of fire, and the (fifth) firmament shines from the lustre of their faces. They are in charge of the twelve months of the year and understand what will be in each and every month, and without them nothing can happen, for they were created for
10 this. Each is stationed over his month² since they make known month by month that which will be in each and every year.

These are the names of the twelve princes of glory of the fifth firmament:

Š ^C PY'L	DGHY'L	DYDN'WR	T ^C NBWN
TRWRGR	MWR'L	PHDRWN	YLDNG
'NDGNWR	MPNY'L	HŠNDRNWS	'BRKY'L

¹This seems slightly redundant. Perhaps one λ should be deleted, thus reading "three toward each direction."

²Cf. Isa 47:13.

These are they who are in charge of the twelve months of the year, from the month of Nisan to the month of Adar, each in his month, as they are written.³

15 If you wish to know in which month you will be taken from the world, or what will occur in each and every month, or in which month there will be rain, whether the grain will be plentiful, whether the olive tree will drop its fruit, or in which month kings will set forth for war, or in which month there will be pestilence among men and cattle, or in which month an epidemic will fall among men, or whatever you wish (to know); ask them and you will know.

If you wish to know in which month you will be taken from
20 the world;⁴ take refined gold *lamellae* and make from them twelve pieces of foil,⁵ then write on each of them the name of an angel and the name of his month. Then take good oil that has aged for seven years and throw all the pieces of foil into it and recite this adjuration seven times over the oil, and say:

25 *I adjure you, O angels of wisdom and understanding, by the One who spoke and the world came into being, by the name of the God of Truth, the majestic and glorious, The King high and exalted, strong and powerful, mighty and wondrous, God of all creatures, Refuge of Hosts, righteous, pure and upright and trustworthy, and by the name (of Him) who established you over all the months of the year, He who sits in hidden heights,⁶ who*

³This probably means "as they are written above," i.e., the preceding list gives them in the order of their months from Nisan to Adar.

⁴Cf. PGM I:188; XIII:711.

⁵Literally, "hammered out pieces."

⁶Cf. Ps 91:1.

30 *reveals secret mysteries, who rules over death and life, who is King forever and ever and ever, who is established for all eternity. By this adjuration, the great, powerful, strong, fearful, terrible, wondrous, pure, and holy, I adjure you that you will truthfully make known to me the month in which I will be taken, and tell me my fate,⁷ in accordance to my request.*

Then put the oil in a new glass vessel (and place it) under the stars for seven nights without exposing it to the sun. And on the seventh night, get up in the middle of the night, and look at the oil and see which month is written upon whichever piece of foil floats on the surface of the oil. In that month it is your fate to be taken. But before you perform this rite, 35 purify yourself from all impurity for three weeks of days, and guard yourself from all (meat of) small animals⁸ and from all that yields blood (when slaughtered) even fish, and do not drink wine, and do not come near a woman, and do not touch a grave, be wary of nocturnal pollution, and walk in humility and prayer, and make your prayers and supplications long, and devote your heart to the fear of heaven, and you will succeed.

After the rite, take the oil and be careful of it for it has great healing power. Make a ring of purified silver, with a large hollow space within.⁹ Take all the pieces of foil and

⁷Literally, "cast my lot for me."

⁸See 1:223; 2:8; and note 71, First Firmament (p.41); note 6, Second Firmament (p.43).

⁹οὐροκοιλίᾳ perhaps for μεγαλοκοιλίᾳ i.e. "pot bellied." The equivalent is dubious, but the sense is clear: a ring with a large top containing a compartment for storage.

40 and put them in the ring with a white flower¹⁰ and with
 asbestos,¹¹ and seal (it) and place it on your finger; then
 no evil eye and no evil spirit will come near you, and no evil
 thing will have dominion in (your) house. In the oil is a
 great (power of) healing to the sick.

¹⁰ פרח לבן is literally "white flower," and is possibly Greek in origin. Cf. PGM XII:356. Possibly an extract or wine made from the flower.

¹¹ אמיניטון for ἀμύαντος . Cf. 2:101 and note 36, Second Firmament (p.52).

(THE SIXTH FIRMAMENT)

As for the sixth firmament, its storehouses are full of honey.¹ Within is the place prepared for the spirits of the righteous. Light and fire encompass it and within are myriads, thousands upon thousands,² and armies and encampments (of angels) standing in awe and trembling. And on the head of each of them is (what) appears as a crown of fire, and their fire has the appearance of gold. The regiments of the army march within (the sixth firmament), and their strength is like an
5 inextinguishable fire and they are in fear from dread of their rulers. For two officers rule over them, one in the west of the (sixth) firmament and one in the east. And before the armies of spirits are myriads of angels created from flame and burning like fire. Their bodies are like fiery coals and upon coals of fire is their station. And they tremble and shake to sing forth³ songs and praises to the Exalted One of the Universe, who has prepared them to praise His honor and honor His praise.

10 These are the holy angels who rule over all the encampments of the sixth firmament. The name of the first is 'PRKSY⁴ and the name of the second is TWQPYRS. And all the princes of the encampments serve before them.

¹ חֲמֵץ, or possibly "fine flour."

² Cf. Ps 68:18.

³ Deleting וְעִמָּם, "with them," following Ms. 7.

⁴ ἄβραξας ? The common ancient spelling was ἄβρασαξ. Cf. 4:14 and Fourth Firmament, note 7 (p.68).

These are the heads of the encampments which are in the west of the firmament:

	WYWTN	DWKMS'L	KRH'L	'ŠRY'L
	BYW'L	NRH'L	GSQY'L	GR ^c YH
15	'ŠRY'L	MSGY'L	HNY'L	'WRPNY'L
	'QWDW	MWK'L	'LNYTK'L	DM'L
	'KZ'N	ŠYR'YWM	NHRY'L	BHDRK
	ŠWPRY'L	SDRKYN	DBWB'WR	'MLY'L
	TMPNYH	BHHML	PRNYN	'MŠTY'L
	TYMNRHQ			

Over these 'PRKSY, who has his camp in the west, is ruler.

These are the heads of the encampments which are in the east of the firmament:

20	GWRY'L	SNY'L	^c ZRY'L	ŠRY'L
	'LY'L	MLKY'L	MLMY'L	ŠMY'L
	RNHY'L	'QRY'L	QŠTY'L	'BRKY'L
	ŠDRY'L	SPYPY'L	'RM'T	DMW'L
	MRY'L	^c NNY'L	NYPLY'L	DRMY'L
	G ^c ŠY'L	MNHR'L	BHNYRY'L	'PŠRY'L
	QL ^c Y'L	HDRNY'L	DLRY'L	Š ^c PY'L
	DLGLY'L	^c DNNY'L	THRY'L	DBRY'L
	HMNKY'L	HNY'L	TWBY'L	

Over these TWQPYRS, who has his camp in the east of the firmament is ruler.

- 25 If you wish to go on a journey (or) to war⁵ and if you wish to return (safely) from the war or from the journey, or

⁵Reading למלחמה או למלחמה for למלחמה, to correspond to the clear separation following "to return from the war or from the journey."

(if you wish) to flee from the city and you want it to appear that a large and powerful company is with you, so that all who see you will be afraid of you, as of one who has with him a military escort armed⁶ with swords and spears and all of the implements of battle, (then) before you depart from the city or from the place where you dwell, purify yourself from all impurity and cleanse your flesh from all sin and transgression, and make yourself an iron ring and a pure *lamella* of gold and
 30 write (on the *lamella*) during the third day of the month,⁷ the names of the overseers and the names of the heads of the encampments (both east and west), and put (the *lamella*) in the ring, and engrave upon the ring, outside of the *lamella* the image of a man and a lion.⁸ Then at the time you set out to go on your way⁹ and you see that men are coming to seize you, take the ring and put it in your mouth, and lift your eyes to heaven with a pure and cleansed heart and repeat the names
 35 of the overseers¹⁰ and the names of the heads of the sixth heaven who serve before them and say:

⁶Reading והם חגורים for ויהיו חגורי with Ms. ל .

⁷Reading בשלושה בחודש with Mss. ח and ל, thus deleting ימים. Cf. PGM IV:170.

⁸The *lamella* is placed on the top of the ring and the engraving is done around it.

⁹Reading מן במקום שתעא למלחמה instead of בדרך with Mss. ה, ח, ת.

¹⁰PRKSY and TWQPYRS.

I adjure you, O angels of strength and might,¹¹
 by the strong and the mighty right hand (of the
 Lord), by the force of His might and by the power of
 His rule, by the God revealed at Mt. Sinai, by the
 myriads of His chariots,¹² by the God whose ministers
 are a thousand thousands of ten thousands, by the
 Lord who saved Israel, all six hundred thousand,
 from Egypt, by the life of the worlds, who spoke
 to Moses face to face, by the Lord who brings
 40 princes to naught,¹³ by the Rock whose hand is
 sufficient to save and to rescue, by the One who
 commanded and ignited the camp of Sennacharib,¹⁴ by
 His name and by its letters; I repeat (your names)¹⁵
 and adjure you that you come and stand with me, to
 aid at this time in every place that I will go. Be
 seen with me as a great army, in all your might and
 with the strength of your spears, and let all who
 see me, from near or far, and all who come to fight
 45 me or to seize me, be shattered before me by their
 great fear of your terrible appearance.¹⁶ And let
 them not be able to harm me or approach me, let fear
 and terror fall upon them¹⁷ and let fear of me fall
 upon them and all the children of Adam and Eve and
 upon every dangerous animal, and let them (all)
 tremble and recoil from before me.

When you finish speaking the adjuration, you will see some-
 thing like fog and smoke before you. Then take the ring from
 your mouth and put it on your finger. And when you come to your
 house and wish to release (the angels), return the ring to your
 50 mouth and stand facing the sun and repeat (the names of the)
 angels in reverse order and thereafter say:

I release you, go on your way.

Then put the ring on your finger.

¹¹Cf. Ps 24:8.

¹²Ps 68:18.

¹³Cf. Isa 40:23.

¹⁴Cf. 2 Kgs 19:35; and Isa 37:36. Neither source mentions any fire.

¹⁵I.e., those of the ministering angels and their overseers.

¹⁶Cf. Matt 26:53.

¹⁷Cf. Exod 15:16.

(THE SEVENTH FIRMAMENT)

The seventh firmament, all of it is sevenfold light, and from its light all the (seven) heavens shine. Within it is the throne of glory, set on the four glorious *Ḥayot*.¹ Also within it are the storehouses of lives,² and the storehouses of souls. There is no calculation or limit to the great light within it, and the fullness of the light illumines all the earth. The angels are fixed in pillars of light, and their light is as the light of the brilliant star³ and cannot be extinguished, for
5 their eyes are like flashes of lightning, and they stand upon the margins of (the divine) light, and glorify in fear the One who sits upon the throne of glory. For He alone sits in the heaven of His holiness, seeking out judgment, evening the scales of justice; judging in truth and speaking in righteousness.

And before Him the books of fire are open

And from before Him flow rivers of fire.⁴

When He rises⁵ the gods are afraid,

And when He roars the pillars shake,

¹The "living creatures" of Ezekiel's vision. Cf. Ezek 1:5ff. The *ḥayot* and *oṣanim* are part of or equivalent to the class of heavenly beings, like the *cherubim* in Ezek 10, who are the supports of the heavenly throne of the deity.

²"Lives" are here thought of as entities placed by the deity in all living things, and causing them to live. They are distinguished from "souls." Cf. Gen 2:7, "the breath of lives."

³This is certainly a reference to Aphrodite-Venus, who has been referred to previously. Cf. First Firmament, note 44 (p.33).

⁴Cf. Dan 7:10.

⁵Possibly "When He lifts (His voice)."

And from His voice the doorposts tremble.⁶
 His soldiers stand before Him,
 But they do not gaze upon His likeness.
 10 For He is hidden from every eye,
 And none can see Him and live.
 His appearance is hidden from all,
 But no appearance is hidden from Him.
 He uncovers deep things from the darkness,⁷
 And He knows the secrets of obscurity.
 For light dwells with Him,⁸
 And He puts on light as a garment.⁹
 He sits on light as a throne,
 And light is a wall around Him.¹⁰
 The *Ḥayot* and *Opanim* bear Him up,
 As they fly with their wings.
 They have six wings each
 And they cover their faces with their wings,
 And they turn their faces downward.
 15 Their faces are turned toward their fellows,¹¹
 And they do not lift their faces upwards,
 Because of their fear and their terror.

⁶Cf. Isa 6:4.

⁷Cf. Job 12:22.

⁸Cf. Dan 2:22.

⁹Cf. Ps 102:4.

¹⁰Literally, "closes off what surrounds Him."

¹¹Literally, "to the four of them."

Troops upon troops stand one above another before Him,

And immerse themselves in rivers of purity.

And wrap themselves in garments of white fire,

And sing with humility in a strong voice:

"Holy Holy Holy is the Lord of Hosts,

The whole world is full of His glory,¹²

He is prior to all creatures;

He was when earth and heaven were not yet.

He is alone;

There is no stranger with Him.

By His strength He upholds the heaven(s),

And in all the heavens He is feared,

20 And by all the angels He is revered,

For by the breath of His mouth they were formed

And to glorify His power they were established.

He (acts) alone and who can turn Him back?¹³

And if He commands none can annul.

For He is the King of Kings of Kings,

Ruling over all of the kings of the earth,

And exalted among the angels of heaven.

He searches hearts before they are formed,

And He knows thoughts before they occur.

Blessed be His name

And blessed the greatness of His glory.

¹²Cf. Isa 6:3.

¹³Cf. Job 23:13.

For ages and ages,

And for an eternity of eternities.

For there is no God apart from Him,¹⁴

5 And there is no God beside Him.

Blessed is His name in each generation

And blessed in the heavens on high.

Blessed is His name with its might,

And blessed its mention with the beauty of His power.

For as His name so is His praise as it has been said (in scripture): As is your name, O God, so is your praise to the ends of the earth; your right hand is full of righteousness.¹⁵

He brings the pure to reverence Him,¹⁶

And in His wrath drives away the impure.

He moves mountains by His might and strength,

They did not know when He overturned them in His wrath.¹⁷

He holds the world as a cluster of grapes,

30 Bearing all that was, is, and will be.¹⁸

He is the Ancient of Days,¹⁹

¹⁴Cf. 2 Sam 22:32.

¹⁵This is a prose gloss which breaks the continuity of the hymn.

¹⁶Literally, "to His fear," i.e., to worship and magical practices.

¹⁷Cf. Job 9:5.

¹⁸Cf. Heb 1:3.

¹⁹Cf. Dan 7:9.

And with Him are enduring riches and righteousness.²⁰

Blessed be His glory from His habitation,

And blessed (be He) in the beauty of His dignity.

The hearts of those who fear Him He fills with knowledge,

To search and to know the power of the fear of His name.

Blessed be His name in the dwelling place of His splendor,

And blessed in the beauty of His strength.

Blessed be His name in the storehouses of snow,

And blessed in the rivers of flames.

Blessed be His name in the mists of brilliance,

And blessed in the clouds of glory.

35 Blessed be His name in the myriads of chariots,²¹

And blessed in the thousands upon thousands (of His
warriors).

Blessed be His name in the chains of fire,

And blessed in the ropes of flame.

Blessed be His name in the peals of thunder,

And blessed in the bolts of lightning.

Blessed be His name in the mouths of all on earth,

And blessed in the depths of the earth.

Blessed be His name amid all the deserts,

And blessed amid the waves of the sea.

Blessed be His name alone on His throne,

²⁰Cf. Prov 8:18.

²¹Cf. Ps 68:18.

And blessed in dwelling places of His majesty,
Blessed be His name in the mouth of all living,

And blessed in the song of every creature.
40 Blessed be the Lord forever,

AMEN, AMEN, HALLELUJAH.

APPENDIX: ANGELIC LISTS

THE FIRST FIRMAMENT

And these are the names of the angels of the first encampment who serve אורפניאל:

בומדי דמנא אנוך אלפי אמוך קטיביא פטרופי גמתי פאאור נרנתק
רקתתי אורנה מאות פרוכה אקילאה תרקויה ברוק סחרורא אתנני
גילאן תכת ארנוב אשמי יוצש כפון כרבי גירשום פריאן ששמע
אבבא נתנאל אראל אניף תרואור עבדיאל יוום אלון מואל ללף
יחספת רחגל רומאפי יכתי ארניאל פובון כדיאל זכריאל אגדלן
מיגאל גאופר כרתה כילדה דיגל אלנו תירלי סכלה אביאל אל
כסיל סיקמה אשבה יותנה ראלכה חליאן אפתיאל תיאמיאל אלאל
נוויאל אפיקה תלגילא נענה אסתיאל.

These are the names of the angels of the second encampment who serve תיגרה:

אכסתר מרטום ברכיב כמשו אשטיב כריתאל אדיר גבא אקרבא
אנבור כביר תילה בריחור תרטס נטפאל פריאל תרוחון שלהבין
אשלבא משתוב גרחתא חגרא איטמיאל חגל לגח מניתיאל תנימיאל
איכרית אבריתא רכילאל חשתן פפהש אסתירוף אודיאל אשביר
מלכילא ארוש דשווא המך תרגח זמבות הצניפלפת שווא אשפור
ארק קנומיאל נהיאל גדיאל אדק ימומיאל פרוג דחגילא דגריאל
אגריאל ארונור דונרניא דלכת תבל תליאל אליאל מותאר אלפילא
פיתפרא לפום אור טמר אדליאל אסטורין אזותי איסטורטי דאובית
ברגמי דמומיאל דיגרא אביבאל פרוטיאל קומיאל דגוגרא דלגילא
פדותיאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve דנהל in the third encampment:

אוגרבכו אובשאל ברתוביאל כלוביאל רחביאל אוהיאל כרבנותן
כרבא דאינוט אינין אבירם אתגלא אותות אשתנאל אשפר תגריאל
אמיכאל אתדשו אוריאל ארמוד אסתון אכאל אנאור אסכירא
לביאל אלעשה חסניאל למושי אדות תירום אלפי אימין ארגלא
מיגאל אליאל מדיניאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve כלמייה in the fourth encampment:

אבריה אימרהי דמנאי אמנהר יאמנוך פטכיא טוביאל גולילא אופרי
גמתי אורניאל פריכיהו יארן לטמיאל אוריט תימוגו אנמרי
אלמיניאל יכמטו סטרטו צבעקני בורתיאס רספות כרסון אמאף
ופאטנא אחאל סאביאל בלקיר פכהור הסתר סתריאל אליסס חלסיאל
טרספו קרסטוס מלכילא ארדק חסדיאל אחסף אמיאל פרוס
גדיאל סביאל.

These are the angels who serve אסימור in the fifth encampment:
בתואר שכינתת אדומא תקו מקפא להבא עלי עזי שכניאל כנור
בנש קרבא סרך חלשיאל הרמנע עבר הוד מלכיה פרעתוף אדעת
קוף מנמלך דינמור אלפנטוס דידריון כלנה נינחיא דצנחיא מלגדם
דימון ליברנך תתקהא אפניאל זביטור דכנסור רמגדל להתקוף

עלי גדגדל פרוץ מסרוץ כדיר מוס דיקנא נשר תוב דרומיאל
 דיראז דמולא דידיאל טעי כרם אתר עקב הונמורא אנקיו גזריאל
 צביאל צביודע ייקר אדות רגביאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve פסכר in the sixth encampment:

אזיאל ארביאל טריפון פוכבוס פסתמר לינניאל קרונידן שוכדון
 סלבידם עמיאל עוזיאל פניאל תרמיאל חממיאל צרמיאל ניממוס
 נודניא באריבא זוננוס חסטואל סדריאל הופניאון קדמיאל כפניא
 ארמיאל עדמון הרמור צפליאל ספריאל קחניאל שבכירא ארמוניס
 טופומוס פצציאל חטפאל פרסומון נחליאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve כואל in the seventh encampment:

נוהריאל דבבאל דימתמר דבאל מחשיו אאור דיאם בביתאל סרורא
 אהגיה פרופיאל מכסיאל עלזיאל תכורכס קרומיאל רמיאל לחסון
 סלחיל אחיאל אכר אובר סרוגיאל ידואל שמשיל שפטיאל
 רחביא אחמורא מרמירן אנוך אלפרט אומיגרא קרוכנס סרפיאל
 גדריאל ארדודא פורטניאל אגמיאל רהטיאל דיתרון חזאל פתואל
 גלגלא דמנצר זזיאל.

THE SECOND FIRMAMENT

Upon the first step stand these:

אחמריאל הדריאל רציאל הסעיאל דמימיאל זבדיאל רנזיאל
 ענשאל כטבראל.

Upon the second step stand these:

עזיאל חננאל פצציאל ישעיאל דלקיאל ארפדא מראות ריפופיס
 אמניאל נחמיאל פזירום ענבאל.

Upon the third step stand these:

יהואל דעיהו אליאל ברכיאל עלי ספוס פנימור אלעזר גבליאל
 כמשיאל אודהאל יעצאל רפפיאל פספיאל.

Upon the fourth step stand these:

צגריאל מלכיאל אונביב פגריאל ענניאל כלנמיא אומיאל מפנור
 כוזזבא אלפיאל פריביאל צעקמיה כדומיאל אשמדע הודיה יחזיאל.

Upon the fifth step stand these:

קונאקריאל פתוניאל נקריאל איאל יאבותיאן בבסבאו בכפי מבוס
 סכתבאו אמריאל יאלאל מכסאבו.

Upon the sixth step stand these:

אביהוד קיטר זלקיאל סתריאל אדרך גחליאל תמכיאל סמכיה רבעיאל
 יונקמיאל שמיהוד מהריאל גומיאל כרכוס קנז קניאל כנטון.

Upon the seventh step stand these:

פתחיה רזיאל אגריאל הגדיאב אדרון כרקטא קטיפור אבריאל
שתקיאל עמיאל סיכברדום.

Upon the eighth step stand these:

אברה ברקיאל אדוניאל עזריאל ברכיאל עמיאל קדשיאל מרגיאל
פרואל פניאל מרבניאל מרניסאל שמיאל עמניאל מתנאל הוד הוד.

Upon the ninth step stand these:

גדודיאל סכסיאל תרסוניאל נצחיאל אצדא רבניא חלילאל תוקפאל
סמכיאל פדהאל קרבא ציאל פראל פתחיאל.

Upon the tenth step stand these:

דכריאל חריאל שבקיאל אתכיאל סמיכאל מרמואל קנאל צפתא יהאך
אל צדק אכפא עזמאל מכמיכאל תרכיאל תבגיאל.

Upon the eleventh step stand these:

רפדיאל דמואל מארינוס אמינאל צחיאל עקריאל אדניאל רדקיאל
שלמיאל אסתניאל סטאל אגלגלתון ארמות פרחגאל נפפמיות.

Upon the twelfth step stand these:

אסטרימי בראות במראות דרודיאל שדרליאל תלהבס ברגאל פיאל
פפאל יכפתני כלפתון בובוכון אומטון ארטמיכטון אשמיגדון
ספניג פרניגאל פסיכסוך תאגישון ארטלידי.

THE THIRD FIRMAMENT

These are the names of the angels who serve יבניאל:

שעיפאל אדריאל תדהדיאל בעשיאל טהפאל רלביאל בלניאל
תהזריאל אעזיאל אמנחאל מלתיחאל דיבקאל ברשטאל סחאל
תבנאל קסמיאל טסיאל קסטודיאל נמדיאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve רהטיאל:

אגרא זרגרי גנטס תעזמא לתרפאל גדיאל תמניאל עקהאל
גוחפניאל ארקני צפיקואל מושיאל סוסיאל התניאל זכריאל
אכנסא צדקי אחסא נכמרא פרדיאל קליליאל דרומיאל.

These are the names of the angels who serve דלקיאל:

נוריאל אזליבן איליאל מלכיה חיליאל חרהאל שלקאל צגריאל
פסכיאל עקריאל סמניאל צבביאל נחליאל תגמליאל אמינואל תלבעא
קטחניאל אפריאל אנגיאל משריאל אמנגנאן.

THE FOURTH FIRMAMENT

These are the names of the angels that lead (the sun) during the day:

אבראסכס מרמאות מוכתאל מארית צדקאל יחסי חסאל רבאל
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 נפלי אואל קודשאל הודאל נרומאל ירשאל מלכאל אגריאל
 להגאל מנוראל פלאואל נוראל הרמאל נסבראל.

And these are the names of the angels that lead (the sun) during the night:

פרסאל צרצאל עגאל נבימאל עמאל ישראל אשמעואל
 שפטאל שאואל רדריאל שעסאל ליבבאל בנריאל צגריאל מנהאל
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 נכבראל פצאל קמניאל זהאל חדיאל.

THE FIFTH FIRMAMENT

These are the names of the twelve princes of glory of the fifth firmament:

שעפאל דגהאל דידנאור תענבון תרורגר מוראל
 פחרון ילדנג אנדגמור מפניאל חשנדרנוס אברכאל.

THE SIXTH FIRMAMENT

These are the heads of the encampments which are in the west of the firmament:

ויותן דוכמסאל כרהאל אשריאל ביואל נרהאל גצקאל גרעיה
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Over these אפרכסיס, who has his camp in the west, is ruler.

These are the heads of the encampments which are in the east of the firmament:

גוראל סניאל עזריאל שריאל אליאל מלכאל מלמיאל צמיאל
 רנחאל אקריאל קשתיאל אברכאל שדריאל ספיפאל ארמאל דמאל
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